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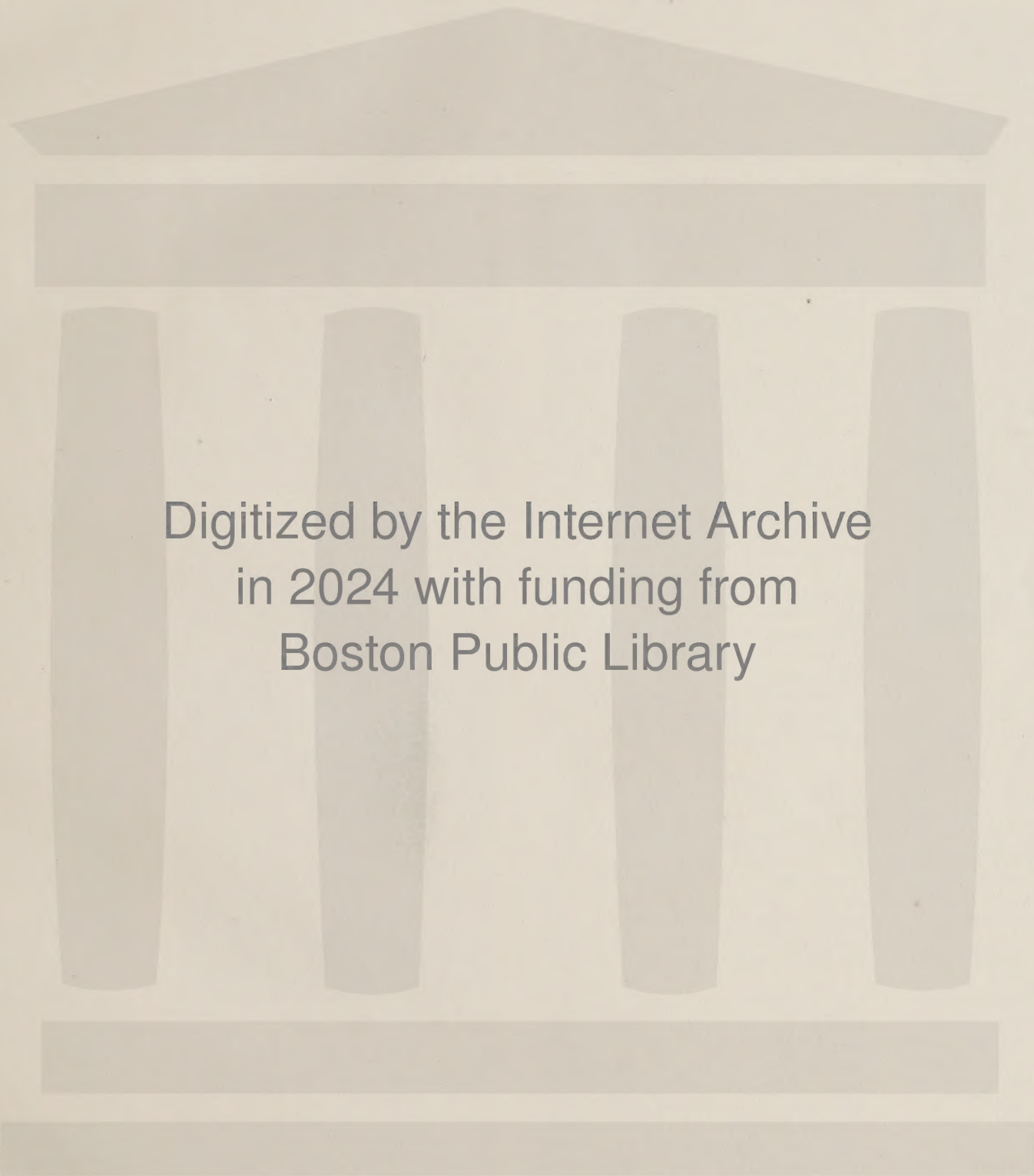
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## The Hamiltonian

The Management is happy to sanction the publication of the Hamiltonian again after a lapse of several months. As everyone knows, our business has been passing through a very difficult period, and in the interests of economy it seemed wise to omit this publication for a few months.

We cannot state that we have definitely emerged from this period of depression and are again upon the highway of prosperity, but we can say that the outlook for the future of the business is much brighter than it has been for some time.

This communication affords an excellent opportunity for the Management to express to the employees of the Hamilton Woolen Company its sincere appreciation of the patience with which they are standing by during this trying period. The eagerness and zeal with which new and difficult types of production are being undertaken and mastered is the best evidence and assurance of success.

We feel the responsibility of the confidence which our employees place in us and are strengthened by their loyalty.

May the Hamiltonian continue to serve as a medium to foster and preserve the good will of our organization.

*J. Benj. Armstrong*

Agent.

## Credit Union

The sixth Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the Hamilton Credit Union was held on Tuesday, November 10th, in the Recreation Room at 7 P. M., Mr. Joseph V. Laughnane, President, in the chair. The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and approved. The report of the Supervisory Committee to the Board of Directors on the work done during the past year was read and approved.

The Treasurer's report for the year was read and approved. It was voted that a dividend of 5% be paid this year, and that we pay 4% interest on deposits during the ensuing year. Voted that the entrance fee, 25%, be continued and that the maximum shares to be held by any one person, be limited to 200 shares per member. Voted that the maximum amount of deposits be limited to \$500.00. Voted that the maximum amount of a single loan be \$2,000.00 with proper security, subject to the approval of the Credit Committee. A member can borrow from \$10.00 to \$50.00 on personal note without security. The members then proceeded to elect three members of the Supervisory Committee to serve for one year, Mr. E. Benj. Armstrong, Mr. John C. Dirlam and Miss Edna Small being elected to this committee.

As will be seen from the Treasurer's report, a copy of which is given with this report, the Credit Union has made a creditable showing during the past year in spite of the short time schedule under which the Mill has been running. It

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## Safety on the Water

The Company has posted warning signs to the effect that skating is no longer allowed on the ponds controlled by the Company; any trespass on the ice is also prohibited. This order covers the Big Pond near West Street, the small pond off West Main Street, opposite Delehanty's store, the pond off River Street and the pond and canal at the Central Mills. These ponds are all dangerous at all times due to the fact that they are mill ponds which are drawn down every day and the water level therefore changes over a large range, breaking up the ice and weakening it, no matter how thick it is. The strong currents which run through these ponds to supply the water wheels also make the ice unsafe, especially for children, due to the fact that where there is a strong current flowing under the ice the thickness of the ice at these points may not be more than one or two inches, while the rest of the pond may be anywhere from a foot to two feet thick. After the sad accident which occurred last year when two small boys



were drowned through the ice at the River Street pond the management felt that it was its duty to strictly prohibit trespass on all its ponds. While it greatly regrets that there will be fewer convenient skating fields for the children it feels that it is better to have no skating than to have someone lose his life, which is quite possible on these ponds. It surely is the duty of all parents to warn their children that these ponds are not safe and that the thin ice along the river is best kept off of. There have been six warning signs such as is shown in the picture, placed at convenient points near these ponds and all are equipped with a ring buoy and rope. These ring buoys are made of cork and will support the weight of a person in the water. Attached to the ring is a fifty foot length of rope. When throwing the ring buoy to anyone struggling in the water there are two things to remember: Don't hit him in the head with the ring, and don't for-

get to hang on to the end of the rope, so that he may be pulled out.

At the Mill there is a row boat mounted on wheels that may be drawn to any spot where it is needed. This boat is located in back of the Storehouse on Mill Street opposite the Main Office. In case of an emergency use the ring buoys and send at once for the boat.

## Hamilton Club

The membership lists of the Hamilton Club show that at present there are approximately five hundred and thirty employees of the Hamilton Woolen Company who hold a membership card of the organization. Of this number three hundred and forty-five have paid up their membership in full to February, 1926, which is the end of the Club year. The remaining hundred and seventy are in various stages of partial payment, as, under the present system of dues collection, payments may be made in four separate installments of twenty-five cents each. It would seem that, with the number of employees connected with the plant and the benefits that are possible to each individual from an organization of this nature, the membership should total at least twice this number.

The payment of dues is especially important at present as this constitutes the main source of supply from whence funds may be drawn to finance the various activities promoted during the year. This is supplemented by the income derived from vending machines, charging of batteries and renting of the Recreation Room.

A survey of the Treasurer's records for the past year shows that approximately two hundred and ninety dollars were received as dues. Charging the batteries and Recreation Room added ninety and twenty-six respectively. The income received from these together with what may be available from previous years' efforts must constitute the funds which may be used to pay bills during the current year.

Usually baseball has contributed sufficient money to materially aid the other athletic sports. However, this year the combination of tennis, baseball and football reduced the Treasurer's balance about three hundred and twenty-five dollars. Entertainment for Club meetings and noons during the year has taken one hundred more. The treasury at the end of this year will be lower than that of any year previous. This will be due to the financial loss in athletic sports and the reducing of dues from five cents a week to one dollar a year. The non-support of our major sports can be laid both to the recent industrial depression and the present lack of interest in athletics as shown by the people of this vicinity in general.

It is to be hoped that a greater interest be shown in the Club with the coming year and that more than five or six be present at monthly business meetings to not only aid with the moral support of their presence, but to transact business,

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## A 59-Year Man



Thomas Cronin

Fifty nine years with the Hamilton Woolen Co., and during all that time faithful to every duty devolving upon him, is a record of which Thomas Cronin of the machine shop may well feel proud. Mr. Cronin, as a mere stripling, came with the company nearly two full generations ago, and throughout that long period he has never been absent from his work but when illness came, which was very seldom. He recently underwent a major operation at a Boston hospital, from which he has fully recovered, his many friends are glad to note. Coming with the company at first he worked in what was known as "the old blue mill," a wooden structure which stood near the upper mill, but which long ago was taken down to permit expansion of the plant. His boss was the late Paul Whelan, long known as "Boss Carder." From the card room he went to the weave shop, but for a brief time only, leaving that department to go into the machine shop. That was in 1872, and there he has remained for 53 years. Mr. Cronin remembers many things of interest in the history of the company which came under his immediate notice, one of the most vivid being the explosion of the gasometer at the lower mill in 1868, when several men lost their lives. Mr. Cronin talks interestingly of other days, recalling the men who were about the plant in his youth, among them, of course, his first boss in the machine shop, John Albee. When Mr. Cronin came to the company's employ, Joshua Ballard had just resigned as agent and was succeeded by his brother, Gayton Ballard.



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JANUARY, 1926

## J. O. M.

In the death of John O. Martin, which occurred on October 13th, a deep personal loss is felt by the members of the staff of the Hamiltonian, of which he was the Editor for three years. He gave to our company paper his best efforts, his own pleasing individuality standing out in its columns and reflecting the optimism that was so marked a feature of his character. Regret because of his untimely end is felt by all Hamilton workers, who held him in high esteem.

Mr. Martin died while on a hunting trip in New Brunswick, the end coming suddenly. A heavy snow storm came on as he was tramping through a dense and lonely wood, and his efforts to reach camp were too strenuous for his weakened heart. Mr. Martin had about a year ago suffered from heart trouble, but he had apparently regained normal health, and just previous to his setting out on the hunting trip which proved so fatal, he seemed to be in perfect physical condition.

Mr. Martin will be missed very much in this community where most of his life was passed. He was in his country's service during the world war, and since then took a prominent part in civic affairs.

His comrades in arms gave him a military funeral, and many ex-service men attended the ceremony, besides prominent citizens of Southbridge, Sturbridge and other places.

The sympathy of the Staff of this paper and all Hamilton workers goes out to Mrs. Martin, his children and all his relatives.

## Herbert Knowles

It is with regret that the HAMILTONIAN has to record the death of another of its faithful workers—Herbert Knowles, who died suddenly, while at his work, on September 21. He was held in high esteem by all who knew him, always in good spirits and ready to help along any enterprise for the good of the company and the community. Although it was known that he had a weak heart, it was fondly hoped by his friends and family that he would be spared a long time, and this hope was justified by his apparently excellent state of health right up to the moment that he expired. The end came just before quitting time at the Carpenter Shop on the afternoon of September 21. The sympathy of all goes out to his wife, his parents and his brothers. Mr. Knowles was aged 36 years, and was born in Southbridge, son of Ernest I. and Minnie (Bates) Knowles. Arriving at young manhood he enlisted in the U. S. Navy,

## Globe Village



There are a few Globe Village old timers who will recognize this picture. It is one of the houses that used to exist in what is now the Power House yard. These old pictures we know are dear to the older folks who can recall the days when there was a row of tenements along the river bank opposite the upper mill and where the Power House now stands. This picture was loaned to us by Mrs. Valerie Mandville, who works at the Fiskdale plant of the company and who was born in this house. She can be seen sitting in the swing at the right of the house if you look closely.

and in the course of his enlistment made a cruise with the fleet around the world. He was among the first to be drafted in this town when our country entered the world war, reported at his cantonment, but was sent home because of a weak heart. He was active in organizing the Southbridge Post, American Legion, and during its first three years was one of its most active and helpful members.

## Twist and Wind

Bill Vreeland passed the Christmas holiday with relatives in Maine.

Frank Zajac has purchased a 1926 model Pushmobile.

Philip Lapenta was the guest of friends in Boston over the holidays.

Mary Chapdelaine is back to work after being out on account of sickness.

Armand Proulx entertained his sister from Spencer New Year's.

## Warp and Slash

Miss Margaret Cuddihy of the Warping Department attended the funeral of a friend in Providence, on December 28th.

Miss Gertrude Proulx motored to Worcester for the Christmas holidays.

Misses Albina and Laurenda Peloquin entertained the Mayflower Club recently.

Mr. George Larochelle of the Slashing Department spent a week-end in Webster recently.

## Hamilton Club

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offer suggestions and be the backing of any new idea that may be put in force.

The Hamilton Club will this next month enter upon its seventh year. What this may hold will be known only when completed but let us hope that it will be worthy of those which have preceded it and that with an increased membership and a keener interest shown by all, the affairs may not of necessity be conducted by a few, as have endeavored this past year to carry on in what was thought the fairest way possible.

## Credit Union

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has proved to have been of great benefit to its members, not only in furnishing loans, but providing an opportunity for saving small amounts. Loans during the past year amounted to \$8,235.00, the great majority being for \$50.00 each.

To those of our fellow employees who are not members, we extend a cordial invitation to join. Just start a savings account and keep it growing. Shares or deposits may be withdrawn at any time. There is very little "red tape" when you wish to obtain a loan, the only stipulation being that a borrower pay back the loan in regular weekly amounts. Think it over, then see the collector in your department, or call at the Credit Union Office on Mill St. Any officer of the Credit Union will gladly furnish any information desired, and remember that the main objects of the Credit Union are Thrift and Service.

## Electrical Dept.

Joe Doucette of the Electrical Dept. is still trying to hold a lucky number. We're all with you, Joe.

All generator tenders, A. Todd, Joe Potvin, Joe Bonnette, are glad to see the mill ponds fill up so that they can help to keep our water wheel generators "a-go-in."

Bill Dennison has felt a little bit jealous of Bill Arnold lately as Bill Arnold is one trade ahead of Bill Dennison in this business of trading in for a new automobile.

John Therrian is back in the Electrical Dept. again. He is taking care of Generator No. 8 and all motors at the Middle Mill.

Joe Rapanault, who is generator tender at Gen. No. 8, and who was operated on at the Smith Hospital here in town, is fast recovering and we hope to see him back on the job soon.

Andrew Simpson of the Electrical Dept. who is one of the radio pioneers of this town and who is as well informed on the subject as anyone in town, has just completed a new Reactodyne receiving set using the Marco kit No. 2. He says that it is a wonderful hook-up.

Ralph Arnold, clerk for the Electrical Department, has recently recovered from an attack of tonsillitis and neuralgia. He was out a week.

Si Laliberte of the Electrical Dept. has jacked his Rolls Royce up for the winter. Si wouldn't want to get a nice car like that dirty.

## Carpenter Shop

Now believe me there is something doing in the carpenter shop in the radio line. Other departments of the mill may think that they hear a lot about radio, but when Davy Simpson gets started about his set you may as well sit back and listen. Joe Buckley, Frank Wilkins, Harry Knowles and Alfred Dumas have also got sets which they are not ashamed of, and even the boss, Mr. Geo. Simpson has a new set.

## Fiskdale

Miss Rosanna Lambert, who was one of the Fiskdale Hamilton folks, is now Mrs. Alcide Caron, as she was married on December 28th by Father Marceau in Fiskdale to Alcide Caron. Miss Beatrice Caron, who works at the Hamilton Fiskdale plant, was bridesmaid and Napoleon Lambert was best man. After the wedding at St. Anne's they left for a honeymoon among friends in and around Pawtucket.

## Central Mills

Adelbert Buchanan, who works on the elevator, was taken to the Worcester City Hospital last week. The doctors have not yet been able to determine just what the nature of his illness is. All his friends at the mill wish him a speedy recovery.

On Thursday, December 24th, when the mill closed for the Christmas holidays the workers in the spinning room presented Mr. Miscook, their overseer, with a very beautiful mahogany smoking stand for a Christmas present.

## Wool Room

Mr. Ewer, a former wool buyer for this company, now of Eddington & Co., was a recent visitor in the wool room. He renewed acquaintances and spent a short time looking over the old familiar brands of wool with which he used to supply us.

A letter from a sorter in Lisbon Falls, Maine, states that George Jones is frequently seen riding into town from his farm behind an old sorrel horse. Although we have not had the opportunity to give the horse a thorough examination we certainly hope that this one is not also endowed with a wooden leg. At the immediate time that this letter was written he was noted returning with a large barrel of cider so it may be inferred he was well set for the Christmas holidays.

It is reported on correct authority that Stanly Harwood and Ben Whitehead did an extensive business during the Christmas season in trees and greens of all kinds for decorating purposes, anything from a respectable sized tree down.

The wool room is well equipped at present to take the temperature, weight and pulse of any suspect that enters. Experiment has shown that a few Charleston steps practiced assiduously show a decided change for better or worse depending on the nature and disposition of the client.

Monroe Walters reports a very successful season with his straw flowers. These rank with the best grown anywhere in this section and the wisdom shown in their proper ageing and subsequent arrangement indicates a skill that has been perfected only by long experience and careful study.

William Hefner, after spending a few weeks on the road as an agent for Walker & Co., is now back in the wool room. During the time out he covered nearly every street and road in Southbridge and immediate vicinity. We are pleased to note that Bill bought a Dodge car to do this in and although for the sake of general principle he is rather reticent about its capabilities we feel sure that ancient as it is, it can hold its own or better with any Essex in the plant.

Isadore L'Heureux of Dept. No. 17, who has been out sick for two weeks, has returned to work.



## Repairing the Dams

The Yard Department have recently completed rather extensive repairs on the main dams of two of our principal reservoirs, Holland and Mashapaug.

The arrangement at Holland Reservoir is such that the water rushes out into the bed of the original brook when the gates are opened. The water had worn a deep hole in the bed of the brook, undermining two side walls, and was gradually wearing back toward the dam and gates.

It was necessary to effectively stop this action, so the walls which were undermined were completely taken down and laid up new. The hole in the bed of the brook was filled in solidly with concrete, in addition to that which had been worn below the spill-way of the dam.

The dam was also improved by pointing up the stone work, or filling in the chinks with small stones and cement. The gate house was re-shingled, and a new fence built beside the road at the dam. The general appearance was thus greatly improved, besides improving the safety of the dam.

At Mashapaug the nature of the repairs was entirely different. The main dam there is built of sand and gravel, with an inside core or sheathing. The face of this dam, or the part covered by water, was originally riprapped, or protected by stones. These had washed considerably, the stones had fallen down, and the face of the dam had worn very unevenly. At the south end of the dam there has been a low section which

was overflowed once or twice in recent years at extreme high water.

To repair this dam a large quantity of sand, gravel, and stones was required. The sand and gravel was located conveniently near the dam and a new pit started. A great many truck loads were carried from the new pit to the dam to complete the first step, which consisted in smoothing off the face of the dam, and filling in the low spot at the end of the dam.

The stones were not so conveniently located, but permission was finally received from the owner of a stone wall about a mile away, to take it.

The stone work was necessarily slow, because each stone must be laid by hand on edge, firmly embedded in the sand, the top level with the surface of the other stones, and all as closely packed as possible. The riprap covered quite an area, extending the entire length of the dam, about 275 feet, and the upper half of the face, or about ten feet.

The general appearance of the dam here was also improved by cutting all brush, grading the road which extends over the top of the dam, and by pointing up a small wall below the dam.

The repairs described above required considerable time for several men to accomplish, but it is necessary to keep these dams in as safe a condition as possible, not only to insure the safety of the dam itself, but also the people who live in the sections below the dam.

## Spinning and Drawing

George Lavallee has been promoted to Section Hand in No. 2 spinning room. He fills the vacancy made by Ernest Egan going to the Fiskdale plant.

Alberta Bonin has been transferred from No. 4 spinning room to No. 4 drawing room and is now holding down the job as filling weigher.

Eva Poulin, who works for Mr. Curran in the fine drawing, is now living in their new home built by her father and brothers on Wall Street.

The 16 universal winders which were running in the old cotton mill building No. 33 have been removed to Bldg. No. 11 and are now in Mr. Cornock's department.

Radio fans at the Hamilton who used to be bugs on long distance are having a hard time trying to get Webster. "Nuff Sed."

Howard Hackett is nearly the owner of a motorcycle. Let's hope he gets it.

Rosilda Grandmaison of No. 4 spinning room was the lucky winner of a 15 lb. turkey for Xmas.

Since the Hamiltonian was last published we have lost by death one of our oldest spinners, Miss Lizzie Stead. She died on Saturday, Nov. 28, 1925, in the Smith Hospital of this town. She came to this country from Bradford, England, in 1908, and started to work in No. 5 spinning room in which place she worked up to the time of her death. She is survived by one brother, of Methuen, Mass.

Everybody in No. 1 drawing room had been aware of the fact for a few months that Aime Girouard had broken up with his girl from Oxford, so you can't blame them for being surprised at the report that he was seen Xmas morning holding down a beautiful cedar chest on the back of a

Ford truck, and was making headway towards Oxford. Blessed be the peace makers, for they shall inherit the earth.

Department 3 and 3 bowling team composed of Albert Cooper, Albert Masi, Aime Girouard, Angelo Masi, and Arthur White-oak challenges the machine shop team for a match as soon as possible.

Miss Adele Szupryna of No. 2 spinning room enjoyed the New Year holiday with her friends in Springfield, Mass.

Florence Beaudreau has resigned her position in Dept. 2 and has gone to Boston to live where her husband has secured a position.

Margaret Gallant who has been working at the Litchfield Shuttle Co. is now working in Department 2.

The members of the Oregon Driving Club held a banquet at the home of John Brogan, December 9. One of the guests, a former member, was William Farquhar who has been re-elected commander of the Spanish War Veterans. One of the prominent members, John Farquhar, was unable to be present owing to the illness of his valuable horse.

Alice Richard is working hard these days. She got an extra big walnut chest recently and is trying to fill it as soon as possible. What's your hurry, Alice?

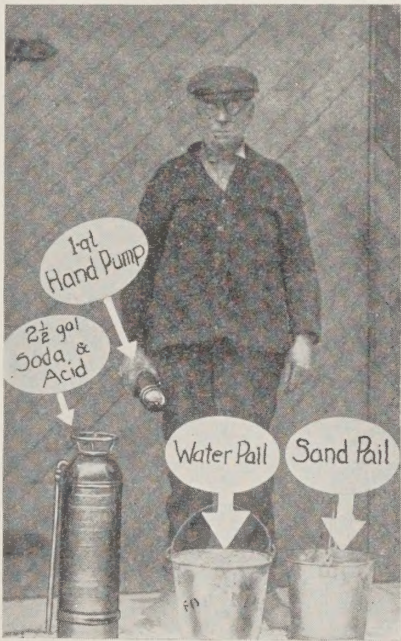
David Simpson of No. 1 spinning room says that if he finds out who put the grease inside his jelly doughnuts, there will be another kind of jelly picked up around the mill.

Miss Julia Moga has returned to Department 3 after having spent 8 months in Philadelphia, Penn.

Mary Petros of No. 3 spinning room was confined at home with the grippe for a few days.

## In Case of Fire

The best thing to do about fires is to prevent them, but as this cannot always be done there have been provided around the mill, fire extinguishers, and the next best thing to do about a fire is to put it out before it has had time to get strong enough to offer much resistance. Immediately on discovering a fire procure an extinguisher and put it out unless you see at once that it is greater than you can cope with, in which case call the fire department. We have four different kinds of fire extinguishers around the plant and it is the purpose of this article to say a few words about their use. The four kinds are: the one quart, hand pump kind (carbon tetrachloride type—trade names, Pyrene, Fire Gun, etc.), the two gallon and one-half kind (soda and acid type), pails of water and pails of sand.



For an ordinary fire in wood, cloth, wool, etc., use any one of the four that is handiest, but in fires in electrical equipment or in gasoline or grease, the right extinguisher must be chosen. Never use the 2½ gal. extinguisher or water on an electrical fire because they both conduct electricity and you are liable to get shocked and killed from the electricity running up the stream and reaching your body. The one quart extinguisher will not conduct electricity and is very effective in putting out any fire. Sand may also be used on electrical fires but as it depends on smothering the fire it is not very effective unless placed just right. For gasoline or grease fires use the one quart type, the 2½ gal. type or sand. Do not throw water on a grease or gasoline fire as it will only spread the fire further. The one quart extinguisher is the best all around as it may be used on any fire and is very effective, the 2½ gal. type is next and is also very effective but cannot be used on electrical fires. Water is the cheapest and is generally the handiest, is fairly effective, but cannot be used in grease, gasoline or fires in electrical apparatus. Sand may be used anywhere but is usually not very effective as it takes a whole lot to smother even a small fire. In referring to the one quart type this article means only the carbon tetrachloride filled extinguisher and the 2½ gal. type means only the brass or copper extinguisher, which is filled with sodium carbonate and acid. In referring to electrical fires we mean, of course, fires in electrical

apparatus such as switches, motors, electrical heaters and the like. We should all use the greatest caution to prevent fires both in the Mill property and in our homes, and in case a fire is discovered attack it at once—every minute's delay means that it will do more damage and be harder to extinguish.

In case a chimney fire is discovered, the best thing to do is to call the fire department at once, do not take a chance on its burning itself out. After the fire department has been called see that all the drafts are closed and if it is in a two or three family house see that the drafts are closed on all floors and the clean out door in the basement is also closed. This will keep the fire down until the fire department arrives to put it out.

## Burling Room

Mrs. Nettie Patterson has returned to work after being out sick with a cold.

Mrs. Nellie Murphy of Dept. No. 7 passed the week-end in Holyoke recently.

Mrs. Mary Dennison enjoyed the Christmas holidays in Milford.

The burling room according to its custom had its rooms decorated for the Christmas season this year. A few paper Christmas bells here and there give a touch of color to the rooms and cheer things up a bit.

Why not, if we like our work shop?

## Office

John Brogan is again with us in these columns, this time not as a farmer, jockey or trader, but as Santa Claus, for in that capacity he served the day before Christmas in a grab bag party. All gifts were appreciated and some were very appropriate.

We take this opportunity to thank Mr. Rich for his gifts to his help in the Stores Office at Christmas.

There are many, many Santas, some tall, some short and fat.

Any Santa is good and we like them and all that,

But to the particular one the Stores Office has in mind,

It isn't at all an easy task sufficient words to find

To express our thanks and joy sublime

Because of the gifts at Christmas time.

Who is this Santa? Ah, you know well,

Although his name we dare not tell.

To relieve all suspense and guessings afar,

We'll tell you his initials are G. S. R.

## LOST BY THE STORES OFFICE

An iron gray cat answering to the name of "Tommy" by Billie, "Jocko" by Mae and "Better than Himself" by Frank Loranger.

Miss Lelia Guptill has returned to work with us again after being absent for six months on account of illness.

## The Sunny South

The Hamilton Woolen Co. has a few representatives in Florida and although reports are not very complete we hear that they are getting along very nicely. Two of them are James A. Christenson and Wendell W. Campbell, both from the engineering department. Mr. Christenson has his family with him and the children are both in school. He is doing surveying work around Daytona. Mr. Campbell is managing an ice making plant in Tavares. Whether the Sunny Land will lure them away from the North permanently is yet doubtful. We hope to see them back with us again.



## Wedding Bells



Wilfred J. Paulhus and Jeanette M. Lemoine were married on December 26th. "Bidge" is well known to the baseball fans of Southbridge and Worcester County, being the star catcher on the American Optical Company's team before coming to this Company. He also caught on the Southbridge team a few years back and was also a member of the champion Finishing Room bowling team. He was presented with a beautiful mahogany clock by his fellow workers in the Finishing Room. We wish him and Mrs. Paulhus the best that life can bring.

## Finishing Dept.

Elaine Farquhar has been out for the past few weeks owing to sickness in her home.

Julia Moriarty, who, during her school vacations, was employed in the Finishing Room, was received into the Order of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Springfield on December 21st. Her cousin, Katherine Moriarty, who is one of the new comers to this department, attended the services.

Mary Lachapelle attended the funeral of a friend at Cranston, R. I., on December 28th.

Mr. Durgin played the part of the good Samaritan to Ralph Arnold the morning after Xmas. Ralph locked himself in, on the stairs leading to the Employment Office, and despite his lusty yells for liberation, remained there until Mr. Durgin very fortunately happened along. Ralph was very grateful to his rescuer, but apparently was not so well disposed towards his key, judging from his somewhat incoherent remarks, when walking away.

Nolia Proulx, Lizzie Ayres, Julia Smith, Mary Collins and Julies Domian were out ill at various times during the past month.

Mrs. Clara Robidoux attended the funeral of a relative in Clinton recently.

Clarinda Pelletier won the door prize, at the recent whist party given in the Town Hall by the Children of Mary Society of the Notre Dame Church. Good luck "Dideau," keep it up.

Since the last issue of the Hamiltonian, two of our girls have fallen victims to "Cupid's" darts, Cecelia Murphy becoming the bride of Joseph Cournoyer, and Albina Lavallee becoming the bride of Arthur Martel. Mrs. Martel is still with us, but Mrs. Cournoyer's new home is in Dudley.

The following are temporarily employed in this department: Mrs. Emelia Cloutier, Mrs. Louise Gaumond, Mrs. Clara Robidoux, Mrs. Alice Marchessault, Mrs. Cora Cournoyer, Irene Bonin, Katherine Moriarty, Elizabeth Morrissey and Elaine Farquhar.

Mrs. Rebecca Chauvin has left the Company's employment, and will keep house in Fiskdale.

"Pete" Leduc for the first time in a good many years was unable to try his luck deer-hunting this year, his license having been revoked last summer for a technical offense against the fishing laws, which, according to those conversant with the laws, was no fault of "Pete's." He was bemoaning his hard luck before the season opened, but, in view of the poor luck of the majority of our hunters, is taking the matter more philosophically now. He says it saved him a lot of time and money.

Rudolph Kerle, who has been with us for some time, makes frequent week-end visits to New York. We are wondering if they are entirely business trips.

Elizabeth Morrissey is back at work again after being ill two weeks.

Tom Fallon has moved from Coombs Street to Oliver Street. Tom likes to be near his work.

A new comer to the department is May Simpson. Welcome, May.

Walter Connors and George Egan have been kept quite busy lately. They are on the entertainment committee of the Purple A. C. and that club has held a number of social events this season. So far, the "Purples" are an enterprising bunch, and deserve encouragement, as well as credit.

## Dye House

Pete Gervais is contemplating spending the winter in Florida, and wants a good Ford car in which to make the trip. He would also like someone who can drive that kind of a car to go along with him. Anyone who can help out please get in touch with "Pete" as early as possible as he wants to get started before snow flies.

Lyman Lemieux has been out sick for some time; we hope to see him back at work again before long.

Paul Potvin has completed his 5 weeks' jury duty in Worcester, and is back on the job again.

Walter Feiler, Mr. Scharschmidt's assistant and a star half-back on our soccer team, has severed his connection with the company, and has gone to Garfield, N. J., to take up a position with the Garfield Worsted Mills. We wish him success in his new job.

Paul Scharschmidt and Tom Jowett were out several times during the open season on deer, but did not have any luck, not even seeing one.

Henry Ford, our champion Nimrod, had better luck, having shot a calf instead of a deer, but as Henry remarked when asked about it, "mistakes will happen, and veal tastes as good as venison to me."

Henry Robidoux, Jr., made a somewhat similar mistake in Sturbridge, only instead of a calf he shot someone's pet "tabby." The owner is a trifle peeved about it, and advises Henry to keep away from Sturbridge.

Arthur Benson and Edmond Maynard saved the reputation of the Dye House by bagging a 150 pound doe, but they had to travel to Brookfield to do it.

Henry Feustel went to Boston to see the "Miracle," and was very much impressed with the show.

William F. Farquhar was unanimously re-elected to the post of Commander of the local camp of Spanish War Veterans.

"Rickey" Morrissey was the guest of Jack Brogan at a chicken dinner at Cedar Pond a few Sundays ago. He must have

done full justice to all the good things, as he was indisposed for some days after.

Steve Domian, Frank Cizeveski, Costa Domian, Frank Tocolowski, John Kurproski, Stanley Locke and John Wielbat are attending the night session of the Americanization Classes held in the Recreation Room.

Commander Wm. H. Farquhar of the Spanish War Veterans was a guest at the American Legion banquet held in the Hotel Columbia.

Arthur Donais is walking around with a big smile on. When asked the reason for it, he said it was an 8½ pound boy, born Xmas Eve, all doing fine.

Henry Ford (not he of "flivver" fame) is passing around cigars, the occasion being a visit from Santa Claus, who left a bouncing 12 pound baby boy at his house the day after Xmas.

Pete Gervais of the Crab Room had the misfortune to fall down the stairs at his home on Xmas night, breaking his collar bone. He was taken to the hospital. His condition is reported as being very favorable.

Paul Scharschmidt and Tom Jowett have started their annual ice fishing excursions. Something else changes besides time—for some unknown reason the hook on the line of our own "T. P.," baited by his own trusty fingers, and sprayed with a little of Dill's Best, for good luck, was the drawing power for two big pickerel.

About the first of July the Dye House lost one of its employees through a drowning accident in Big Pond. Gemon Cera was found dead in the pond, and his death was greatly mourned by his many friends, especially among the Polish people among whom he was a well known personage. One of his boys is now employed at the Lower Mill.

Quite a few radios have been purchased the last few weeks. Among those recently to install them were Arthur W. Hanks of Dept. No. 11, Raoul Thibeault and Roy Rheume of Dept. No. 12 and H. Butterworth of Dept. No. 17.

There were some pretty hot draw pitch games played between the C. T. A. and the A. O. H. in their recent tournament. Patrick Moriarty represented the H. W. Co. for the C. T. A. and John Brown and Ray Splaine for the A. O. H.

Peter Kovaleskie was a member of the K. of C. committee in charge of the Christmas party.

Basil Proulx, Overseer of the Blacksmith Shop, was re-elected President of the Conseil Rochambeau L'Union St. Jean Baptiste on Dec. 10th.

We all sympathize with Gus Petterson, of the Receiving Dept., in the loss of his father, who died in Springfield, Dec. 8th. His father's name was Charles L. Peterson; he lived at 17 Rochelle St., Springfield, and was 63 years old when he died. Rev. O. P. Peterson officiated at the funeral services.

Jos. Hibbard, who was formerly one of the night crew at Dept. No. 11, Power House, has re-entered the employ of the Company, back on his old job of night fireman.

Fred Farrow and Jimmy Knowles were among the first to get on the ice for the winter fishing this season. Both navigated with a great deal of difficulty the next few days as the exercise stiffened them up considerably. They don't get much exercise these days.

## Lower Mill

Carl Pieska, formerly of the Card Room, has returned to work for Joe Firth. They all come back!

Louise Coddere has accepted a position for Mr. Swift in the Combing Department.

Mrs. Josephine Hamel has left the employ of the Company.

Mr. William Kermack, pin setter at the Top Mill, celebrated his Silver Wedding December 24, 1925. They were married at Lawrence, Massachusetts, in the Presbyterian Church near the Christmas Tree on the 24th day of December, 1900. Both Mr. and Mrs. Kermack were born in the City of Arbroath, Scotland, and attended school together as children. They are the proud possessors of four children, two boys and two girls, named Raymond, John, Ruby and Eunice.

Leon Blanchette of the Card Room is all smiles these days as he got his Christmas present early. His wife presented him with a 10 pound boy on December 3rd.

James Petrillo, who has worked in the Scouring Room at the Top Mill for the past four years, has resigned to return to his old home in Naples, Italy. He sailed on December 5th and expects to remain for about six months visiting his relatives there.

Joe Firth at the Lower Mill, according to McNally and Buckingham, usually furnishes the first sign of spring when he is seen roaming the countryside and talking about buying a farm, but Joe says it would be a better sign of spring if Joe McNally was to sit on a red hot brick.

Steve Joe bought a five pound box of candy at Christmas-time but we expect he must have sent it to the "Old Country" as Steve never looks at the girls around Southbridge.

William Kermack of the Top Mill, who is bowling on the Methodist Team in the Church League, is going great guns this season and is hitting the maples for a 90 average. Bill expects to be hitting a hundred average before the season is over.

The boys at the Lower Mill around Christmas time bought Ralph Hammond five plugs of the best tobacco, which pleased Ralph so much that he in turn went out and bought a box of cigars to treat the boys with.

## Small Fire

On Tuesday, December 23, a fire broke out in the opening room of the mill. It was the first fire of any proportions to happen in the mill for a long time.

It started about 4.15 p. m. in the opener machine when apparently some foreign material in the cotton got into the machine and caused sparks which ignited the cotton. This cotton came through the delivery pipe and dropped onto a large pile of cotton on the floor. The amount of cotton burned was not great but the sprinklers wet quite a bit of it as well as some of the laps on the floor below the opening room. The very thick smoke hindered work for a while but when this had cleared away the burned and wet cotton was taken out in the yard and sorted and left to dry. The room was then cleaned up and dried up as much as possible so that by the next morning everything was ready for use again.



Jox

There was a little lawyer man  
Who gently smiled as he began  
Her dear husband's will to scan,  
And, thinking of his coming fee,  
He said to her quite tenderly,  
"You have a nice fat legacy."  
Next morning as he lay in bed,  
With plasters on his broken head,  
He wondered what in Hell he said.  
—The Treasure Ship.

WRONG NUMBER

"Hello, is this you, Abe?"  
"Sure it's me."  
"This is Abe Potash I'm talking to?"  
"Yes, yes. What do you want?"  
"Well, Abe, I want to borrow fifty dollars for—"  
"All right. I'll tell him as soon as he comes in."—Profits.

"Hello, Jake," said the farm hand.  
"Why ain't you been comin' to the weekly dances down at the Grange hall?"  
"Ho-ho! Dances?" said Jake. "I couldn't never learn to dance."  
"You could, too. It's dead easy," replied the farm hand. "All you got to do is to keep turnin' round and wipin' yer feet."—Thomas Topics.

EPITAPH

Bill thought his gas was getting low;  
He struck a match; the tank let go—  
Bill sailed three miles right in the air,  
Three miles on a pint is pretty fair.

Ho! Hum!

[Ad in Laddonia (Mo.) Herald]

On account of getting tired or lazy and my wife refusing to milk any longer have decided to sell at public auction my herd of good milk cows.—A. L. Weekly.

Lincoln said: "The way for a man to rise is to improve himself every way he can, never suspecting that anybody wishes to hinder him. Allow me to assure you that suspicion and jealousy never did help any man in any situation.

So THAT'S THE KIND OF A GUY HE IS  
He wouldn't treat, and he wouldn't bet;  
He couldn't drive, and he couldn't pet;  
So they pushed him out in the storm and wet;  
He's the kind of a man that girls forget.  
—A. L. Weekly.

'S' LANGUAGE

Tom—'S'neagle.  
Dick—'S'not n'eagle. 'S'nowl.  
Harry—'S'neither. 'S'nostrich.

Biddie—I suppose you have been in the navy so long you are accustomed to sea legs?  
Middie—Lady, I wasn't even looking.  
—Powerfax.

WHAT A WAY TO TALK!

[Ad in the Minneapolis Journal]

LOST—2 black husky females, look like police dogs; reward.—A. L. Weekly.

There are tricks in all trades, but learn the trade first.

The Hamiltonian will be glad to print Cards of Thanks, etc., for any of the Hamilton folks. Just drop what you want printed in the letter drop in the door of the Hamiltonian office.

Evening School

On Monday afternoon, the fourteenth day of December nineteen hundred and twenty-five, thirty-four employees of this Company registered at the beginning of the school year, season of nineteen twenty-five and six. Much interest in the work is being manifested by those already enrolled

year that we have conducted these classes. In fact, Southbridge was one of the first cities in Massachusetts to take up this work and we have been complimented by the officials in charge of this work in Boston, and others, upon the fine progress that has been made in this district.



The H. W. Co. Americanization Committee

and new faces are to be seen each school night in the different classes.

The classes are divided into three grades: Beginners, Intermediate, and Advanced. The usual subjects which include English, Mathematics and Civics are taught. To insure the confidence already established in the school the same teachers have been secured for the season just opened.

Any employee who has a member of his family who desires to join these classes and is over sixteen years of age and is not regularly employed where English classes are being held will be welcome.

It might be of interest to our employees to know that this is the sixth consecutive

To our older employees who have attended these classes in the past, we say that we hope that you will make plans to attend again this coming season and to bring any new employee with you who is desirous of gaining a better knowledge of the English language.

A number of employees attending the classes have been helped to get their citizenship papers and have also been helped by their teachers in matters when pupils have felt that the best party to go to was their teacher.

During the school year entertainments and socials are given to break the monotony of school life.

Weaving Department News

Radio repairing and aerials installed by George J. Patenaude.

Mr. August Cardinal is back with us again after a few weeks' vacation spent in Woonsocket.

Mr. Aristide Martin, loomfixer in Dept. 6, has left for St. Paul, Minn., where he has accepted a position.

Mr. Emile Berthiaume is rapidly recovering from a slight operation performed on his side.

Radio fever has struck Dept. 6 hard during the past few weeks. Those having fallen for its lures and static are Eugene Lusignan, Romeo Duclous and A. Roux.

Miss Yvonne Robichaud has left the employ of the Weave Room to reside with her parents who have recently moved to Webster.

James Simpson, formerly a smash piecer, is wintering with friends in Florida.

Arthur Morin is working hard evenings and Saturdays on his future home on Fiske Street and expects to reside there early this spring. We all wish you luck, Arthur.

Mr. Albert McDonald, a former employee of the Weave Room, was here recently renewing acquaintances. Mr. McDonald is now working in a shoe factory in Keene, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Katherine Duvic are being congratulated on the birth of a baby boy, born December 23rd. Both mother and son are doing finely.

Mr. Ernest McDonald is spending his week-ends in Olneyville, R. I., now. We wonder who the blonde is that's attracting Ernest to those parts.

Mr. Frank Harvey and friends are spending much of their spare time now in ice fishing and report some very good catches. Go to it, boys.

A rumor of a sleeping beauty contest caught the ever alert ears of O. Gauthier and as he thought he would need some practice he fell asleep while waiting for the noon bell to ring one day recently and when he awoke found it was much too late to go home and had to go without dinner. Stick to it, Gauthier, old boy, we're all pulling for you to win.

Mr. Burt Lavalley, a former weaver in Dept. 6, has accepted a similar position in Webster.

Mr. A. Martin, percher, is showing all the dance sheiks in the Weave Room the latest Charleston steps. Mr. Martin is quite an expert at the Charleston.

Mr. George Duhamel of our Rewinding Dept. received many gifts at a party on the occasion of his 28th birthday. Whist was played after which refreshments were served by Mrs. Duhamel. The first prize for women was won by Mrs. Evangeline Levesque, second by Mrs. Ludger Larochelle and third by Mrs. Arthur Geofreon. For men Ferdinand Levesque won first prize, second won by Arthur Lavalley and third by Ludger Larochelle.

Machine Shop

Stanley (Jimmy) Knowles, overseer of the Belt Shop, is having a lot of trouble with his teeth lately. He had his whole upper set pulled out and is now getting ready for the new set.

The Machine Shop crowd, aided and abetted by a few highwaymen from the Electrical Dept., have been raffling about everything imaginable the last month or so. Imagine the surprise of the Engineering Dept. crowd when one of their number actually won a 11½ lb. turkey. Wonders will never cease. Celia Fallon was the lucky one.

Messrs. Flagg, A. Raiche, Nap. Raiche, A. Matte and A. Gaumond, all from the Machine Shop, who were guests at a reception held in Globe Village, were seen at 4.30 in the morning riding in a Ford touring car. All were singing "Show Me the Way to Go Home."

We are glad to hear that Mr. John Farquhar, who is gateman at the Cotton Mill gate on West Main St., is fast improving after his recent illness which has kept him from his duties.

Mr. Hugh Kane, who has been in charge of plumbing repairs, fire apparatus inspection and various other matters around the mill, has been acting as gateman at the Cotton Mill while Mr. John Farquhar has been out sick.

John Curboy of the Machine Shop went deer hunting this year but had no luck and was not able to keep his mind on his hunting evidently, as he was heard shouting "This is station Bla Bla broadcasting." Another radio bug.

Through the columns of the Hamiltonian we wish to thank Mr. Collins, officer of the law at the Middle Mill gate, for the present we received from him through the Globe Dept. Store. (Signed) Fred Farrow, Nap. Raiche.

Boot It, Lad



Here we have Mike and Ike of the soccer team who do not look alike. Wilfred Yates (front) and Harry Benfield (rear) are two of our star players. Benfield was top scorer of goals, having nine to his credit. He plays a forward position, while Yates plays at full back, and although not having the opportunity to score, has been one of the main stays of the team this last season. Benfield has been keeping in trim this fall by his work on the dance floor doing the Charleston, while Yates has been seen dashing around in his Chevrolet car. Both are boys worth watching, both on and off the soccer field.



## The House That Jack Built



John Ryan, foreman of the Garage, has built a house for himself, and when we say he built it, we don't mean to convey the impression that he was the only one that worked on it, because as a matter of fact pretty nearly everybody that works at the Hamilton helped Jack to build his house. Jack is a pretty popular fellow around here and when he undertook to build a house for himself and his wife, who was Eva Vilandre and who now works in the warping room, everyone was glad to see him trying to make a home and offered to help. Some gave their services free and others who put in quite a little time of course Jack paid. Here are a few that worked on the House that Jack Built: Narcisse Cardin, Joe Comeau, Nap. Collette, Joe Proulx, Basil Proulx, Del. Raiche, Fred Farrow, Joe Houle, Joe Buckley, Joe Jolie, Davy Simpson, Felix Cloutier, Camille Mogavero, Alex Grenier, John Grenier, Sam LaFeri-ere, Joe Paul, Roy Rheome, Herman Thebeault, Oscar Pion, and George Simpson and Clarence Morse loaned him tools,

etc. All Hamilton folks. He can't remember everyone that did help on the house but he wants to thank everyone; he has tried before but hasn't thanked them enough yet, according to what he said when we asked if we might write up his house. He moved into his new house on the 14th of November and the week before a crowd of his Hamilton friends got together and gave him a little house warming when they presented him with a sizable purse. The house is situated on the Sturbridge Road and is in the town of Sturbridge just on the point of the curve before Cranberry Meadow, going from Southbridge. It is a two story house with five rooms downstairs and three rooms upstairs. There is a garage in the basement. He started building in May this year, although he had dug the well and started the cellar a year ago. The house is a very pretty one and of course is strictly modern, steam heated, modern plumbing, etc. We are all very glad to see Jack with so comfortable a home and wish him the happiest of futures.

## Our Cafeteria

Who likes a cold dinner? It is safe to say that none of us are crazy about it. Some employees find it necessary to do so because of the distance between home and their work. Directly in back of the waiting-room of the Employment Office is located the Cafeteria where hot coffee is to be had at four cents a cup that will help along a cold dinner. Light lunch is also served in the Cafeteria at noon only and is well patronized. Why not try it?

Any suggestions that you think would be a benefit to you or your friends who have lunch here will be gladly received by Mrs. Gay or the Employment Office and they will be given careful consideration.

## Moving Around

Building No. 26, in the center of the Upper Mill group, has previously housed the Textile Section of the Vocational School. This section of the school was moved into the new High School when that building was completed, leaving the 1st floor of Building No. 26 vacant. From that time on the room has been used for miscellaneous storage; machinery and parts of various kinds accumulating from

all departments of the mill until the room was crowded.

It was decided to discontinue this storage in a building which is more valuable for manufacturing, so the problem presented itself to find available storage space elsewhere.

The light machinery belonging to the Finishing Room has been stored in the top floor of the Cotton Mill, Building No. 33, and the heavy machinery in the basement of Store House No. 8. The looms used in the Vocational School will be put in the top floor of Store House No. 8, the loom beams in the barn, and the old jacquard heads in the junk.

The various storage places were necessarily rearranged to accommodate additional material so that a general "house-cleaning" has resulted. This apparently is as necessary in an industrial concern as in our own homes or offices.

Another one of our friends who has succumbed to the radio bug is Mr. Arthur Hanks, Chief Engineer at the Power House. We will all soon be in the same boat, boys, and then no one can joke us about our radio stories. Mr. Hanks was one of the last we expected to fall, but we will bet that he has sat up later than usual quite a few nights lately.

## Cal Going Up

Cornelius A. Callahan, a graduate of Worcester Tech and connected with the Chemical Laboratory under Mr. Hager for the past four years, has left the employ of the Company. On the fifteenth of last month he reported for work at the Pacific Mills in Lawrence. He will be in direct charge of the Chemical Supervision at the big mills. This is a well merited advancement for 'Neil. He was industriously serious and persistent in his efforts in doing things. As we see it, these qualities brought him the full measure of success that he deserves.

A year ago this time, he returned from Germany, where he pursued a ten months' course in Chemistry and Dyeing.

He leaves us, and a host of friends and admirers wish him unbounded success. The Company misses an ardent worker and a loyal booster.

## Rod and Gun Club

The Hamilton Rod and Gun Club starts its fifth year of activities this month. Organized in December, 1921, by a group of eighteen enthusiastic local sportsmen, the Club now numbers among its 300 members representatives from three other towns—Sturbridge, Charlton and Dudley.

The principal activities of the Club have been the distribution of fish and game throughout this vicinity and the furthering of real 100 percent sportsmanship among all who find their recreation along this line of sport.

During its four years of existence the Club has received from the State Department of Fisheries and Game approximately 150,000 fingerling trout, between six and seven thousand horned pout, 5000 black bass fingerlings, 2000 pickerel, and 50 cans of yellow perch and crappies or bluegills, a species of rock-bass. These cans average about 300 to 400 small fish to the can.

These fish have been distributed by a committee appointed for the purpose in waters best suited for each species in Southbridge, Sturbridge and Holland. Owing to the extremely dry summers during the past three years, the trout streams have been very low, and so, despite the large number of trout put out, there has been little improvement in the trout fishing. The other fish have been put into the ponds near here, so that now, with the exception of the Hamilton or Holland Reservoir, Wallace Pond, Long Pond in Fiskdale, and two or three ponds in Charlton, all bodies of water in this vicinity, including the Quinebaug River, are classed as "Stocked Waters" and a fishing license is required to legally fish there.

The Club has also received from the State Dept. from eight to twelve adult pheasants and 60 to 80 young pheasants each year which have been put out in various suitable locations. Besides these about 200 young pheasants have been hatched out from eggs received from the State Hatchery by different Club members, and the young birds liberated when old enough to care for themselves.

The first two years the Club bought a large number of white hares and liberated them with the 12 to 15 received from the State Dept. each year. Last year and the year before only a very few could be secured, so this year an order for 200 has been placed. This branch of the stocking activities has shown the most satisfactory results and many local sportsmen have been able to have good luck hunting this game.

The board of officers for 1926, elected at the December meeting, are as follows: President, Fred Adams; Vice-President, George S. Potter; Treasurer, A. Marcy Bartholemew; Secretary, Raymond W. Goodell. An Executive Committee was elected as follows: Jay A. Lewis, Ludwig Setterholm, Bernard E. Richards, Solomon Labonte, Fred S. Eddy, Leroy Vizard of Charlton, and Fred F. Young of Fiskdale. The various Distribution Committees and Entertainment Committee will be appointed at the January meeting. The social activities for the winter have not yet been arranged, but probably several reels of moving pictures of hunting and fishing will be shown at different meetings, and the Club hopes to be able to secure two or three speakers.

The Club membership is open to anyone interested in the activities as listed here, and the more members there are the wider the scope of work that can be carried out.

Our Superintendent, Mr. A. C. Varnum, is the proud owner of a new Chevrolet sedan.

## Everyone Can Help

Here we have a picture of the Hamiltonian office entrance. This office is for the use of the employees who get out the paper and is on Mill Street where the Globe Post office used to be and in the building which is now used for the Planning Department office, the Credit Union office, and of course from now on the Hamiltonian office. The



arrow with the "Right Here" points out the letter drop in the door which is installed there so that anyone of the Hamilton employees who wishes to contribute anything to the paper may do so by simply dropping his news, criticisms or suggestions in this doorway. Of course if the matter is anything of importance it must be signed by the writer or else the Hamiltonian Editors would not be sure it was true and therefore could not print it. The Editors of this paper, who are Hamilton employees themselves, of course want to make the paper as near being what the majority of the employees would like to have it as is possible, and to do this we must have the cooperation of everyone. Will you assist us by either giving your news and suggestions to the reporter for your department or by dropping the information in the letter box in the door of the Hamiltonian office?



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## Hamilton Made Goods



All Hamilton Woolen Company made goods are sold through Selling Agents, Amory Browne Company of Boston and New York, and so when we exhibit any of our goods around here it is not with the purpose of selling them, but just that we are proud of our work and like to show off a little. The Sturbridge Grange at one of their recent meetings conducted an industrial exhibit in connection with the meeting, and many of the local industries exhibited their products. The Hamilton Woolen Company was among those asked to exhibit and consequently, with the permission of the management, Mr. Watson and Mr. Barnes prepared the display which the picture shows only poorly. A picture of this kind cannot, of course, show the colors, nor convey any

idea of the texture of the goods. Samples of the many beautiful and high-grade fabrics which we are now making for ladies' dress goods were arranged as the picture shows. The case in the center of the display shows the wool in its many forms during the process from raw wool to yarn. At the Grange meeting Mr. Ernest Barnes told the story of the efforts we are making to produce fabrics which both please milady's fancy and maintain the reputation of this Company as leaders in this line of manufacture. He perhaps didn't say all that might be said about the effort we have put into producing some of these new fabrics, but he certainly had a display of samples that spoke for us.

## Weave Room



Here is a picture of some of the Weave Room folks taken last summer. All except two are still on the job. They are: standing, from left to right—Mrs. Malvina Trombley, Mrs. Rose Aucoin, Mrs. Valida Proulx, Albert Tarvenier, Gilbert Denault, Mrs. Evelyn St. Martin, and Miss Grace St. Onge. Kneeling are Miss Berthiaume, Mrs. Albertine Racine, Mrs. Emma Moth, and Miss M. Tarvenier.

## Weave Room Items

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Domian are being congratulated on the birth of a fine baby girl. Mr. Omer Cournoyer has taken a posi-

tion as weaver with us. Israel Boudriault has returned to his work after a month's absence. Wilfred Julian has purchased a fine coon dog. The dog came from somewhere in Pennsylvania. We don't know how many coons it has treed yet, but we wish you luck, Will. Miss Eva Lariviere went to Springfield to attend a good show there recently. George Demarais is the proud father of a baby boy. Congratulations. Eugene Lusignan, after considerable experimenting around with the various types of radio sets, has purchased one of the best known makes. Wilfred Gauthier is a member of the Cercle Canadien basketball squad. Among those who have been out a few days with colds were Evelyn Allaire and Ambrose Letendre. Several Hamilton men are participating in the card tournament being conducted by the various lodges in town. Lorenzo Girard is captain of the Cercle Canadien team. Wilfred Berthiaume, Nelson Girard, Armand Girard, and Arthur Girard are also members of the team. Felix Lemoine, Rudolph Tarvenier, Michael Mandeville and Henry Robidoux are on the Council Rochambeau team, and J. B. Tarvenier, David Cloutier and Joseph Gagnon repre-

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## Central Mills News

Joseph Asselin created quite a commotion in the home of his daughter, with whom he is living, by failing to go home to dinner one day. She came to the mill thinking some accident had befallen him, but as Joe said later, "I only fell asleep during the noon hour." Ray Archer, truck driver for the Standard Roller Covering Company, some time ago promised Vic Bergeron and Eddie Coutreau each a calendar issued by the firm. They haven't as yet received them and take this means of letting Ray know that they are on the war-path. Hobart Arnold, a student of the Vocational School, is here with us, also Justin Herideen. Joe Hufault, former iceman, thinking that the local people might try to place him on a pedestal as they have Red Grange, decided to give up the ice business and come back to us as a speeder tender. Joe doesn't like publicity. Joe Beaudry says that he celebrated the holidays. As far as he is concerned John Barleycorn may be gone but not altogether forgotten. Wish he would let someone else in on the secret. Mr. Horace St. Amour, second hand of warping and twisting at the Central Mills, was pleasantly surprised a short time ago upon receipt of a mysterious box, evidently intended as a Christmas gift to him. He was so well pleased with it that he has been endeavoring to find the sender ever since. (Good luck Horace, we hope that you find him.)

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## Fiskdale Dept.

Margaret Tierney, standing, and Beatrice Cuskie, seated on the sled, are two of the girls that work at the Fiskdale Department of the Hamilton Woolen Company. The girls at Fiskdale have a dandy Drawing and Spinning Room to work in, and from the looks of this picture there must be some pleasant diversions in Fiskdale outside of working hours. Miss Cuskie was out nearly two months recently when she had to undergo an operation at the Smith Hospital in Southbridge. She is back at work again now and glad to be among her friends again. There have been a few transfers among the gatemmen recently. Hugh Kane is now at the Weave Room gate and John Wilson is at the Cotton Mill gate on West Main Street.



Join the  
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for 1926

## Bowling Champs, Maybe!



Gus. Petterson, Geo. Watson, Frank Williams, Ham. Smith, Frank Darling

The office bowling team rolled a tie game with the Dye House team at the Hippodrome alleys, recently, but won on the roll-off by ten pins. The office team, of which Frank Darling is captain, is looking for more challenge matches, but wants to bowl against teams that are representative of a department and not a picked team from several departments. They would like to receive a challenge from the Finishing Room. In a recent match with the Lower Mill bowlers they won by the small margin of eight pins. The scores for the two matches were as follows:

Williams	77	80	91	248
Watson	79	78	88	245
				1,304
LOWER MILL				
Greenwood	117	82	85	284
Yates	88	86	77	251
Cira	90	66	69	225
Kermack	93	86	87	266
Pleau	89	83	98	270
				1,296
OFFICE				
Darling	80	83	93	256
Petterson	90	73	83	246
Williams	68	100	78	246
Smith	79	90	88	257
Watson	75	82	108	265
				1,270
DYE HOUSE				
Splaine	84	93	89	276
Matte	83	76	74	233
Morrissey	80	79	92	251
Peloquin	84	103	87	274
Bates	84	82	80	246
				1,270
OFFICE				
Smith	92	84	81	267
Darling	91	94	79	264
Petterson	94	83	103	280



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## NEWS GATHERERS

Every employee of the Hamilton Woolen Company

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FEBRUARY, 1926

## Spinning to Sea



Aubrey Manthorne

A great many Hamilton folks will remember Aubrey Manthorne, who worked in the Spinning Room for a long time. Since leaving us about a year ago he has been on an eleven months' cruise in one of Uncle Sam's battleships and has visited England, France, Australia, Samoan Islands and Porto Rico. He was here last month on a furlough and brought with him many souvenirs, and his many friends were glad to hear of his travels.

## Twisting and Winding

Gladys Laferriere who has left us on account of sickness is reported as much improved. We all hope to see you soon, Gladys.

Frank Zoacs of the Twisting Room and Stewart Tully of No. 4 Spinning Room have joined the Pineapple Club. They say that any barber will initiate anyone who wishes to join the club.

Mrs. Mandeville has concluded her duties in the Twisting Room.

We all wonder why Mary Chapdelaine is so blue lately. Never mind, Mary, he will soon be back.

Mrs. Anna LaPlante was confined at her home for a few weeks with a severe attack of the grippe. Her friends are glad to hear of her recovery.

## Burling Room News

Miss Angelina Lachapelle of this department was married January 11 in Notre Dame Church to Edward Paulhus, who works in the Dye House. All in this department extend their best wishes to the bride and groom.

Charles Thompson, who lives in Dudley, has accepted a position in the Burling Room. He replaces Arthur Brodeur, who has gone to work for the Litchfield Shuttle Co.

Mr. Wood, Overseer of the Burling Room, has discovered a swallow's nest in the brick work of one of the buildings, which he can see from his office. He says that there was a small hole in the brick where a drill had been through and the birds have not only enlarged this for the entrance to their home, but are now gradually pushing the bricks out so as to make more room behind them for their nest. We hope that no swallow drops a brick on our head.

Mary Ward, who has been absent from her duties in the Burling Room, is now much improved and we hope to see her entirely well soon.

## Mr. Sickman Ill

Albert F. Sickman, Jr., who is Overseer of the Planning Department, has been absent from his duties since January 1, due to illness which befell him at that time. At the time of going to press he was still in the New England Deaconess Hospital in Boston, but is expected to be at home much improved by the time of issue. His friends who have visited him in the hospital report that he is fast recovering, is in good spirits, and that we can expect to have him with us again soon. His many friends, especially around the Office Department, have felt the deepest concern during his illness and will be glad to welcome his pleasant personality back amongst them.

## Frank E. Randall

Mr. Frank E. Randall, until late years paymaster here, died at his home on Hamilton Street, aged 69 years, the end coming very suddenly. About two years ago Mr. Randall retired from his position here as paymaster, when he became ill with diabetes and found it necessary to enter a Boston hospital. He rallied from that trouble and for the last year or more had been in fair health and able to be about. A little before Christmas he began suffering from hardening of the arteries, and the tax on his heart proved too much, on January 17, Sunday, when he died. Mr. Randall came to Southbridge 48 years ago and for a while worked as clerk and bookkeeper in J. S. Gleason's store. He later accepted a position at the print works when the late Thomas Cocroft was in charge there. When the print works closed Mr. Randall was transferred to the Big Mill, as assistant to the late Frank McKinstry, then head bookkeeper. Mr. Randall also assisted Charles W. Hill as paymaster, subsequently succeeding Mr. McKinstry.

Mr. Randall adhered closely to his duties at the Mill office, yet found time to engage in church and social activities. A man of generous impulses and friendly at all times, he occupied a large place in the hearts of those who knew him. He liked to talk of the early days at Globe Village, and was ever ready with an anecdote illustrating the best side of the friends who preceded him in death. Since retiring from his position at the mill Mr. Randall occupied much of his time in visiting around among his old friends, and he had become a well-known figure on the street as he passed to and from his home.

## James Curley

All Hamilton folks feel the loss of our friend and fellow employee, James Curley, very deeply. He was very popular and widely known here. He died at his home on the Sturbridge road, January 17, aged 57 years, from a heart attack, just after he had telephoned to Dr. Webster. When the doctor arrived he found Mr. Curley dead beside the telephone; Mrs. Curley was away at church at the time. He will be remembered around here as the overseer of the Singeing Department, where he worked for many years; he will also be remembered for his great loyalty to the Hamilton Club and all Hamilton interests.

Mr. Curley was born in a house on Hamilton Street, where his parents, themselves among the early Irish residents of Southbridge, lived for nearly 50 years. After his school days he entered employment, working in various places, but notably for the late Samuel Williams, in his furniture store. Following that he was employed by this company and became foreman of the Singeing Room. He took a lively interest in the social life of the employees, especially in outdoor sports, and was a lifelong devotee of baseball. His presence at Hamilton Field was an inspiration for the company team to go on to victory. Good natured, witty, free from disagreeable manners, he added to the pleasures of the game. Mr. Curley was much interested in the welfare of Div. 12, A. O. H., and was ever on the lookout for new members, and when they arrived his part was to make them feel at home. He had a faculty of making and keeping friends and had a good word for everybody.

## Office News

Miss Mae Cuddihy of the Stores Office has returned to work after being on the sick list for two weeks.

William Proulx has also returned to work after three days' illness.

The last one to step in line with the bobbed-haired girls is Miss Olga Page of the Payroll Department. Miss Beatrice Smith of the Cost Department has been in this class since New Years, but as yet no one has seen her bobbed tresses. Next in line is Miss Lelia Guptill.

The Stores Office have been getting their pay envelopes so regularly on Wednesday noons that one week recently noon came and the envelopes were nowhere in sight, and so anxious were the Storeites that they asked the Receiving Department if anybody had seen the pay-mistress.

The latest thing in hair wash—peroxide. For further details see the flapper.

Mr. Charles Johnson of the Main Office taxis to work on slippery mornings now. Wonder why? Slipped, maybe?

Abe Whittaker is doing a rushing business since Brogan and Peterson have entered a jelly doughnut contest. Adelbert Badger would rather eat orange shortcake.

Mr. Howard Freeman hasn't been to Fitchburg since laurel-time. But as long as he was from Southbridge he did not get a ride in the F. P. D. car.

Miss Mae Cuddihy closely rivaled Gilda Grey in her part in the girls' club play.

## Credit Union Report

The members of the Credit Union will be glad to see from the financial report below that the organization is in a healthy condition and that their money is safely and wisely invested. The Credit Union as it becomes better known and

understood will no doubt have more of us in its membership. It is for Hamilton employees only. It is a banking plan that every Hamilton employee should understand. Ask about it, perhaps you are missing some of its opportunities.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS During the Year Ending October 31st, 1925			
RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Shares	\$7,720.12	Shares	\$9,299.25
Deposits	811.40	Deposits	841.23
Loans	8,445.08	Loans	8,235.62
Interest	1,365.87	Interest Paid on Deposits	13.27
Fines	22.30	Div. Paid on Shares	921.57
Entrance Fees	9.75	Expenses	91.78
Surplus	13.32	Guaranty Fund	46.65
Cash on hand 10/31/24	5,339.78	Surplus	1.00
	\$23,727.62	Cash on hand 10/31/25	4,277.25
			\$23,727.62
PROFIT AND LOSS As Shown by Books			
			\$937.17
Balance, Oct. 31, 1924			
Credits—Interest	\$1,365.87		
Fines	22.30		
Profit on Sale of Investments			
Transferred from Undivided Earnings	937.17		
Transferred from Surplus	12.32		
Total Income			\$2,337.66
Debits—Interest Paid on Deposits	\$13.27		
Dividends Paid on Shares	921.57		
Expenses	91.78		
Transferred to Guaranty Fund	256.62		
Total Charges			1,283.24
Net Income			1,054.42
Balance, Oct. 31, 1925			\$1,991.59
BALANCE SHEET, OCTOBER 31, 1925			
ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Investments	\$14,475.00	Shares	\$20,787.99
Total Loans	4,158.94	Deposits	269.59
Deposits in Savings Banks	4,064.33	Guaranty Fund	799.19
Due from Banks and Trust Co.'s	212.92	Undivided Earnings	1,054.42
Total	\$22,911.19	Total	\$22,911.19
		J. H. WILCOCK, Treasurer.	



H. W. Co. 62 Years



James Ryan

This is James Ryan, at present overseer of the Crabb Room and a Hamilton worker for the past 62 years. Quite a long stretch for the same company, and he looks and feels as if he would make it quite a bit longer before he retires. He has been a life-long resident of Globe Village and his father worked here before him. He came to work for the Hamilton when he was nine years old as most boys did in those days, and he has been here ever since. He will be 71 years old in April this year.

His first job was in the Print Works for Mr. William Hudson. He worked in the Drug Room for a long while, and while there one of his fellow-workers was Mr. Ernest Knowles, who is now in the Main Office. Mr. Ryan started to work in the Dye House when Mr. Wright first came here as dyer, and he has, of course, worked under both Mr. Samuel and Wilson Sharp. He has been in the Crabb Room, where he is now overseer, for forty years. Mary Ryan, who is head of the Sample Room, is his daughter, and so is Katherine Ryan, Mr. Sickman's assistant in the Planning Department. Anne Ryan, who is now Mrs. Henry Fairbanks, was also a Hamilton worker.

Mr. Ryan can tell many interesting stories of the old days when he was a member of the old hand pump fire department, and when he belonged to Steamer Co. Number 2. He can recall when the company used to make its own soap, fulling, etc., and he has seen most of the buildings at the Upper Mill built. Mr. Ryan has a warm place in the heart of everyone in Globe Village.

Weave Room Items

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sent the Artisans. Dana Petit represents Court Laurier. The Cercle Canadien team have lost only three games in two years.

Mr. Myziel LaPlante and Charlie Manthorne of the Spinning Room were very successful on their first ice-fishing trip this year. They came home with a fine string of large pickerel caught at Wallace's Pond.

Mr. James Moriarty is spending several nights a week in Webster lately. We understand he is an ardent dance fan and quite a sheik with the ladies at the Mohegan.

Anyone desiring strictly fresh eggs at a reasonable price will do well to get in touch with Arthur Morin. Arthur's hens have been heavy egg producers this winter.

Mr. Eugene Galipeau has purchased a 5-tube Trans-America radio set. Pete has reported getting Miami, Fla. We wonder if he has joined the fish story gang, too. How about it, Pete?

Armand Proulx went to Worcester to see "Rose Marie."

Louis Brunelle is seen quite often in Webster lately. What's the attraction, Louis?

Sadie Manthorne entertained a few of her friends at her home a few days ago. Music, dancing and games were enjoyed and everyone had a good time.

Aldea Boucher has been absent for a few weeks on the sick list. We are glad she is better and back again.

Alma L'Heureux entertained the Entre-Nous Club at the home of her sister, Monia Loranger, recently. The first prize was won by Florence Blais, second by Lillian Ouelette, third by Marguerite Laliberte, fourth by Adrienne Desrosier, fifth by Dolerese Chapdelaine, sixth by Bertha Chapdelaine, and the consolation prize was won by Edna Taylor. Those present were: Florence Gaumond, Florence Blais, Dolerese Chapdelaine, Viola Chapdelaine, Bertha Chapdelaine, Laura Langlais, Irene Leclair, Adrienne Desrosier, Marion Desmarais, Alice Taylor, Edna Taylor, Lillian Ouelette, Lydia Raiche, Tony Lippe, Alma L'Heureux, Marguerite Laliberte, Jessie Laliberte, Eva Lamothe, Mary Lamothe, Rena Recard, Mary Devaudrieul, Rose Livernois, and Viny Giroux.

Central Mill News

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Among the many Christmas gifts that Mary Jaskovak received, was a five-tube De Forrest radio set. Christmas day Mary claims that she got Turkey.

Adelbert Buchanan has returned to work after several weeks' illness.

Oliver Trembley of the Card Room is building an airship in Fiskdale and says that he expects to fly early in the spring. (As soon as his wings sprout.)

Among the newcomers to join us in the Card Room are Mrs. Victoria Gregoire, James Dwyer, Joseph Collum and Frank Morasky.

William Hutchinson, our master mechanic, has become a radio enthusiast. Bill never gets to bed nights now.

Dolph Gauthier says alcohol in a radiator is not so good—not for his Ford, anyway. "I only fill up every 8½ minutes, as my radiator is a little leaky, and I never worry about its freezing."

Since the departure of Jesse L. Stanley, former overseer of spinning and Beau Brummel of the plant, we think that, after a careful search for another Beau Brummel, all honors go to James John, our ex-U.S. Cavalryman.

Joe Legault, card grinder, ex-cowboy and world war vet, says that he has had many a close shave in his day, but the closest was only quite recently when he bought a haircut. Joe hasn't been feeling good since. Let it grow, Joe.

Dave Mitchell wonders if that goat that had such a wonderful time in his garden last summer is starving to death this winter. Dave is getting to be tender-hearted in his old age. "Dutch" Martel is continually cleaning his old blunder bus, getting ready for the goat this coming summer.

Dye House

A team from the Dye House comprised of Peloquin, Morrissey, Matte, Splaine and Bates, met defeat at the hands of the Office team, in one of the closest bowling matches seen for a long time. At the end of the three strings the teams were tied, and it was decided that each man roll two boxes to decide the winner. In the roll-off the Office team won by 11 pins. We are not quite satisfied that we are out-classed, and are anxious for an opportunity to prove it.

Rudolph Kehrl of this department left recently to take up a position in Reading, Pa.; he carries the good wishes of all his friends.

Edward Paulhus was married on January 11 to Angelina Lachapelle of the Burling Room. We wish them both the best of luck.

We sympathize with Wilfred Garceau of this department on the death of his sister, who died in St. Vincent's Hospital, Worcester, on January 13.

Frank Chamberlain had the misfortune to fall down his cellar steps, fracturing several of his ribs. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Peter Gervais is able to be about again after his recent accident. We hope to see him back with us pretty soon.

We are glad to see Peter Sikor back to work again.

Peter Craite is wearing one of those "never-come-off" smiles these days, the reason being the arrival of a baby boy on January 3, "Pete" says that mother and son are doing finely.

Walter Feiler, late of this department, was visiting friends here over New Year.

Charlie Vincent and George Prince are back at work again after being out with the gripe for some time.

One of our Kettle men is a somnambulist, he is also lucky to have a wife who is a light sleeper, otherwise it would be hard to imagine what might happen when he starts wandering around in his pajamas. Maybe it is somnambulism, and then, maybe it is not. Wives have to be fooled once in a while, eh, John?

John Kopsa's little boy fell off his sled and unfortunately ran a nail into his hand. Infection set in, which necessitated his removal to St. Vincent's Hospital in Worcester, but he is getting along nicely.

Peter Craite, attracted by the strains from the fiddle of our county champion, wandered into the Ford Station on Hamilton Street on Saturday night, and was very soon showing some of the younger generation what "tripping the light fantastic" really means. Had there been a prize offered, "Pete" would surely have "copped" it. He is seriously thinking of taking engagements for exhibition dancing.

Commander William Farquhar is also showing the young ones how the old-time dances should be danced.

Finishing Room

We extend our sympathy to Mrs. Cora Cournoyer on the death of her father, Mr. Euclide Rheume, who passed away on January 11.

Susan Flood attended the funeral of her nephew, Father Dalton, on January 4, and on the following day the funeral of her cousin, Mr. John Clarke, who was superintendent of the Otis Mills in Ware. We extend our sympathy.

"Bill" Fitts of the Telephone Company was a visitor to the department one day last week. The event caused quite a flutter among some of our fair employees opinion is divided as to what was the real reason for the visit.

"Pete" Leduc is the latest to fall a victim to the radio bug; he bought a Fada set last week.

We are very glad to see Bess Hogan back again after a two weeks' illness.

Raymond Yates, who rolls on the Episcopal team in the Inter-Church League, is a past master in the art of "goat-getting"; some of his opponents' "nannies" start wandering when he gets in some of his work. Raymond is hitting them pretty well just now, but we hate to think of what is in store for him should he ever happen to have an "off night."

Jack Walsh, Dan Russell and Tom Fallon represented this department at the funeral of the late James Curley.

Nell Brennan, Mary Coughlin, Mary Lachapelle and Corinne Pelletier went to see "Rose Marie" recently in Worcester.

Julia Smith fell on an icy sidewalk, cutting her forehead badly and breaking her eye-glasses, but she was right on her job next morning.

Julie Domain is quite a fight fan; he seldom misses a fight.

Jean Lange has decided to enter the political arena, and will be a candidate for member of the Board of Public Welfare at the next town election.

Charlie Curboy lost a valuable hound dog recently. He was killed by one of those automobilists who are always trying to get nowhere in no time.

Mary Marchessault was out for a few days last month while her family was moving to the farm recently purchased by them.

Betty Gardner of the Employment Office, who looks after the retail sales, was pretty much handicapped recently, owing to an attack of laryngitis, which caused the loss of her voice. Her business with Mr. Durgin was carried on through the medium of pencil and pad. We are glad that, at the time of writing, her voice is coming back, and she says she is going to make up for lost time this week.

Deda Pelletier of the Finishing Room has been making arrangements with her new friend "Clem" to attend all popular shows at the Strand, also any formal ball in town. You can see them most any night at the Globe store planning together.

Machine Shop

We are wondering what kind of water Percy Chase is drinking in Westville, as he came in one morning explaining that he had just shot some hornpouts out of a tree.

A. Gaumond is president of the Happy Hour Club.

What do you know about this? The radio which Eddie Collins gave away was presented to a party in Worcester whom Eddie describes as Number 123. That's what we think, too.

John Curboy had a hard job getting to work on time in the morning during the week of foreign broadcasting.

Anyone in the Machine Shop wishing to dispose of any old tin, apply to Del Raiche, as he pays the highest prices.



## Electrical Department

Joe Bonnett, generator tender at the Lower Mill, has a gasoline lantern for which he is agent, which is a wonderful light for many purposes.

Something queer happened at the water wheel at the Upper Mill where Joe Potvin works. Joe planted a maple tree in the yard nearby, but the tree instead of growing disappeared. There is a small maple tree recently planted in the machine shop yard.

Joe Rapanault is back on his job in the Water-wheel Room at the Middle Mill, after having been in the hospital for some time.

The Electrical Department are glad that they can report a no-accident-month for January.

John Therian is spending his evenings over his new radio set.

Andrew Simpson entered in competition with someone in town to see who could log the most stations within given hours. Andy hasn't said much about the outcome. Maybe he is too modest to mention his victory, or would rather not mention his defeat.

Ralph Arnold was one of the fans that tried to get foreign broadcasts, but as Ralph only has a two-tube set we think he wins the ambition medal.

Bill Denison has a radio that is called "The Sleeper." Bill says it does all the sleeping and he stays awake. The fire went out the other night and Bill got Chile before morning.

Bill Denison has been heard saying something about getting a car like Bill Arnold's. Bill Arnold must be bragging about his bus.

## Shipping Room

We would like to meet someone who could convince Eddie Knight that a Studebaker is not the only car in the world—but he will have to go some!

Mary Shea is getting about much more quietly lately. We wonder if those rubber heels have anything to do with it.

George Potter is still filling the position in the Trucking Department of Director of Transportation. We will be glad to have him back with us again.

Ellery Barnes and "Boots" Marchessault planned to go ice fishing recently, but at the last minute "Ellery" telephoned "Boots" that he could not get a boat.

"Sam" Laferriere and "Mike" Corribeau are going into the poultry business. They would be glad to hear from anyone who has setting hens for sale.

Mr. Barnes is again a candidate for Selectman in the town of Sturbridge. He has held the office for the last two years, and the voters will be wise to elect him again as he is a good man for the position.

The Happy Hour Club held a dance in the Recreation Room, Saturday, January 30. The Capitol Orchestra furnished the music and everyone enjoyed the party very much.

## Hamilton Club

Moving pictures loaned by Liberty Mutual Insurance Company were shown as entertainment at the January club meeting. These pictures were not only entertaining but were another means of instructing and advising the workers in a plant of the necessity of using their own heads in guarding against needless accidents.

Percy Whiteoak was sent as a delegate from the club on January 20, to a meeting of the Worcester County Sportsmanship Brotherhood, Inc., at the Hotel Warren, Worcester. This association was formed to select and manage a soccer football team representing Worcester County, to play a series of games next fall with a team composed of players representing Worcestershire, England; the games to be played in that country. The qualifications necessary for a player to be a member of this team are that he be an amateur and an American citizen. Mr. George Collins of the *Boston Globe* will choose the players for this team. The purpose of this meeting was to bring together persons connected with the various soccer clubs of the county to get their views and ideas on the subject.

Remember your dues for the next year are now payable.

Basil Proulx, Overseer of the Blacksmith Shop, was out a week this past month with a bad cold on his chest. We are glad he got over it so soon.

## How About It?

Grand contest—open to all Hamilton folks—no prizes—no fees—no obligations—no sense to it. Send in your "Say it—" rhyme. The HAMILTONIAN will print a few of the best ones. Here are a few to show you how they go.

Say it—

with elastic, and always have a come-back.

Say it—

with a stocking, and put your foot in it.

Say it—

with a jack-in-the-box, and snap out of it.

Say it—

with a pony, and come off your high horse.

Go to it, they're easy!

## Drawing Room

Do the members of the Drawing Room realize that they have a real champion working in their midst; a person so modest and unassuming that it is only by using great tact and diplomacy that he can be persuaded to relate the story of his many conquests. He is Charles Vinton, at present Champion Poultry Picker of Sturbridge. If further encouraged and to prove this contention he will show a medal presented to him at the recent elimination contest in the Sturbridge Town Hall. This contest was sponsored by those of that town who take a special interest in the general advancement of poultry knowledge, from the egg to the fry pan. The rules governing it coincided with those as set forth by the Amateur Poultry Picking Association of America.

The winning of his title was only possible after opposition of the sternest kind had been overcome and left far in the rear. Indeed, it is related by those who have been so fortunate as to see Charles in action that the feathers fly so fast that he is often obscured in a billowy cloud, from whence the outlines of his form only come to view for the short interval of time when it is necessary on the completion of one bird, to transfer his efforts to another.

Jack Farquhar who owns a large stock farm butchered seven hogs last week.

Both Raoul Greenwood and Aimee Girouard had a severe toothache the other day and both decided to go to the dentist at the same time. Aimee was the first one to get in the dentist's chair and when the dentist pulled his tooth he gave an awful moan. When the dentist said next, Raoul had gone home.

There was a reception up at Hillcrest Villa in honor of Michael Bojka, who was married January 12 to Josephine Czarnozyska at Ware. The attendants were John Bojka of the Top Mill and Mary Czarnozyska, Walter, Bill and Adela Czapryna, Henry Cirra and Stella Penaski. There were relatives present from Warren, Webster, Indian Orchard and Thompsonville. Adela Czapryna of the Spinning Department entertained with a few solos and the Charleston.

Helen Carawanski is working in the Drawing Room now.

Alice Richards saw the famous show "Student Prince" in Springfield recently.

## Spinning Hamilton Yarn in 1900



Back Row (left to right): Ellen Laveille, Helen Dumas, Rosie Anger, Marie Ann Leduc, Delina Durocher, Aldea Allard, Jacques, Alida Dumas, Mary Louise Marchessault, Mary Leduc, Josephine Patenaude, Morin, Boudreau, Ida Godro, Delia Patenaude, Dodd, Mrs. Solomon St. Marie. Middle Row (left to right): Anger, Senecal, Anger, Bertha Ferron, Marchessault, Philomene Castonguay, Unknown, Gervais, Castonguay, Alma Proulx, Lora Leduc, Delia Girouard, Rose Girouard, Laura Perry. Front Row (left to right): Caroline Boucher, Unknown, St. John, St. John, Louis Nadeau, John B. Girouard, John Dumas, Arthur Morin, Marie Bertrand, Bertrand. Sitting (left to right): Alberic Plouffe, Noel Mandeville, Napoleon Lavallee, Proulx, Cyril Lavallee, Alfred Dumas, Napoleon ("Bonhomme") Loranger.

The HAMILTONIAN has printed quite a few old-time pictures in the past, but they always seem to be interesting and every once in a while someone will dig up a new one. The one shown above is of the Spinning Room help that were employed in a Spinning Room that was then in the Upper Mill. It was taken in 1900, twenty-

six years ago. They are standing on the site of the building at the Upper Mill which is now occupied by the Bleach Room and the Packing and Shipping Departments. How many of them can you remember and where are they now? Alfred Dumas, who now works in the Carpenter Shop, is one of the boys in

the front row. Another well-known person around town is "Bonhomme" Loranger, who is now chauffeur for T. F. Murphy. He is one of the boys in the front row. Louis Nadeau, seen standing in the center of the picture, was the overseer of the room.



## About Health

BY MARY CAMPBELL, R.N.

Among the many diseases which attack the human body, the common cold is one of the most universal, and, if neglected, may lead to complications which make it a thing to be dreaded. Like measles, whooping cough, and scarlet fever it is a germ disease; it is contagious. One gets a cold, or becomes infected by contact with the germs, which are present in the saliva and discharges of the nose and throat of each person who is sick with a cold. It is very easy for one person to transmit the germs to another. A good hearty sneeze, if not smothered by a handkerchief, can spread the trouble-makers for a distance of twelve feet. The hands are often soiled with the germ-laden discharges of the nose and throat when a handkerchief is used and some article is handled, which later will be handled by a fellow-worker or some member of the family, who in turn touches his fingers to his mouth, absorbs the bugs, and the game is on. Wet feet, changes in the weather, sitting in a draft do not cause colds, but may help to lower the resistance of the body so that it cannot fight off the inroads of the germs. It is an established fact that Arctic explorers and hunters do not suffer from this distressing ailment when they are exposed to all the hardships of that cold region, but when they return to congested districts they often become infected. So if you develop a cold after being chilled, it is some kind friend or neighbor who is to blame, not the weather.

Colds, as we generally mean the term, may be separated into two groups, coryza or head cold, or the grippe cold. Either of these may start with a slight chill followed by fever. The mucous membranes of the nose and eyes become inflamed and this causes an increase of the secretions so that the nose runs and the eyes water. The irritation makes the victim sneeze and cough and the slight fever causes headache and a feeling of tiredness. Now, this condition, coryza, is bad enough in itself, but it may spread to the ears, tonsils, sinuses (which are small channels opening into the nasal passage in the bones forming the cheek-bones and the forehead), or, more commonly in children, to the cells of the bone back of the ears, causing a very painful condition called mastoid disease. The grippe cold may extend to the lungs and cause bronchitis or asthma or if it gets to the smaller tubes and air cells, pneumonia may result. In small children, particularly, there may be very serious after results such as malnutrition, tuberculosis of glands, lungs or bones, rheumatism, or certain forms of heart trouble.

To avoid or prevent a cold is much more pleasant than to cure it. If it were possible to quarantine each case, it is safe to say that the disease would die out; however, each one who is affected should be very careful to keep his germs to himself. He should not spit out, cough or sneeze near other folks; but should very carefully use his handkerchief. Those who are free from a cold should be careful not to get within range of a careless sneezer or cougher and most important of all, should not put their hands to their lips or eyes for any reason unless they first wash their hands. Colds are never wafted on the breezes; they come from people with colds. Keeping the body resistance good, too, is very essential to fight all infectious diseases. That simply means sufficient

wholesome food, plenty of water, sufficient sleep with the window open, exercise and frequent bathing.

Supposing you have become infected, what are you to do? There are a few simple remedies that should always be used at the onset of a cold. Hot baths, hot drinks, all the water you can absorb, should be the first thought. The bowels should be kept active as well as the skin. A gargle of hot water with a small amount of salt in it (a teaspoonful to the pint) should be used freely. You should wash your hands carefully before you eat so that none of the germs may re-enter the system on the food. If these simple remedies do not help you to overcome the attack, see the doctor. Do not take it lightly. A cold is a serious matter.

## Five Spinning

Regina Mandeville and Oscar Caplette are often talking together, and he was seen in a jewelry store recently.

Raoul Lavalley and Herman Langevin don't agree with Henry Ford in running dances in garages.

## Spinning

No. 5 Spinning Room seems to be right to the front for misfortune. A week or two ago, Flora Brunelle was operated on for appendicitis; then Matilda Livernois followed her to Worcester for the same thing, and then Josephine French had the misfortune to break her arm. The visiting committee from this room must be very busy.

Albert Masi claims that he shows so much speed on his skates that he leaves a burned-out trail behind him.

We guess the Three Musketeers from Spinning Room No. 2 think they are kidding John Buccelli about getting married. What's your comeback, John?

## Wool Room

It is reported that a certain overlooker in the Wool Room is trying to introduce a new method of counting. He is sole agent for English tea cakes in this vicinity, and one of the wool sorters had been a regular customer of his until he reached home one night with what he thought were a dozen cakes. On counting them he found that he had but ten. The agent for the cakes, after some explaining, brought him in two more cakes, but says that from now on a dozen is a dozen no matter how many cakes there are in the bag.

George Lavalley has returned to work in the Wool Rooms. He has been working recently at Sandersdale.

Joseph Martin has fully recovered from an infected cut and has returned after a forced two weeks' vacation.

Charles Timmer has been out seriously ill. We hope for a quick recovery.

There are quite a few Hamilton men bowling this year in the Church League. Among them are: Joe Buckley, Wilfred Yates, Richard Yates, William Kermack, Frank Darling, George Watson, Earl Lawton, Frank Williams, Alex Simpson, William Bates, Hamilton Smith and Gus Petterson. The Congregationalists are now leading the league with the Methodists almost tied with them.

## New Members

Some of the folks who have recently started to work for the Hamilton Woolen Company are Hazel Lemieux, Cora Loran-ger, Aksamala Malinowski, Marie Bertrand Jessie Asselin, all of whom are in the Spinning Department. In the Twisting and Winding Departments the new help are: Anna Buccelli, Marie Cournoyer, Bertha Patenaude, Doris Ferry, Luinda L'Heureux, Theresa Antaya. Those who have started in at the Weave Room lately are: Henry Champigny, Omer Cournoyer, Israel Boudriault, Agnes Lockhart, Evelyn St. Martin, Mabel Dufault, and Charles Thompson.

Robert O'Leary is the new assistant to Mr. Dion at the Hamilton Lodge.

The newcomers at the Central Mills are: Frank Morasky, Rose Anna Courteau, Aura Amonds, Ida Guertin, Edward Courteau, Blanche Dufault and George T. Rogler, who has just recently come to this country from Germany.

## DX 4

Dave Simpson, one of our radio fans, made great preparation last Sunday night to have all clear for a great event in listening in on his homeland, Scotland. Davie got a plate of sandwiches near the radio, as he intended to make a night of it. The time arrived and Davie moved the dials, but could get no sound at all; he monkeyed with the thing about an hour without success. He almost decided to telephone Crossman to take the thing out, but after a little thought he decided to try again Monday morning. Monday he got the same results he had Sunday night. Well, that made Davie curious, and he commenced to look the thing over again and found that his battery was disconnected. Oh! how Davie smiled to himself!

## OPENING DOORS

Sometimes when pushing a box truck or some other kind of truck some people will push the truck bang up against a pair of double doors to open them, so that they won't have to stop the truck and go and open the doors first. This of course breaks the latches and catches off the doors and keeps them in a constant state of bad repair. We are sure that the company is willing that those who push trucks should take the time to open and close the doors. There is no such rush that the doors must be pushed off the hinges. Doors are necessary and are kept closed for a good reason. Those who bang trucks unnecessarily against doors are shiftless and are not doing their work right. A man that will knock the catch off a door to save himself the trouble of opening and closing it is not a good workman, and this is a sure sign of it.

In answer to an invitation from the Sturbridge hockey team to a game on the ice, a team was sent to play that aggregation. The match was played on a rink provided on Pistol Pond and ended, after a hard fight, in victory for Sturbridge, with a score of three to two. The Hamilton team after getting away to a brilliant start led the opposition all through the game up to the last five minutes of the play. Then, due to the poor physical condition of the Hamilton players and their sad lack of substitutes, the Sturbridge team with a determined offense scored two goals, the last with but one minute to play.

## DOOR LOCKS

Occasionally the man who takes care of the locks around the Mill finds that someone has oiled a lock; this is especially so with padlocks. These locks that are used around the Mill are so constructed that oil interferes with their operation rather than helps it, and as the lock must be taken apart and cleaned before it will work well again, everyone is urged to refrain from putting oil in the Mill locks. If the lock seems to stick notify the Engineering Department and it will be taken care of.

Frank Darling of the Cost Department is some actor. We understand that he has his application in for the Keith Circuit. All Frank's friends were on hand at the girls' club play, "The Rose Girl," to see him make his debut.

## Hamilton Lodge

On August 19, 1920, the Hamilton Lodge was opened for inspection and approximately two hundred employees and their friends took the opportunity given them to inspect the entire building and its contents.

The Company had spared no expense in making the necessary alterations to make the Lodge homelike and comfortable in every respect for those who desired to live there. An expert was engaged to fit up the entire building with the most up-to-date furnishings and kitchen utensils. It has been our endeavor to line up to this standard, and we will continue to do so.

Originally it was intended to operate the Lodge for girls and women only. While we employed sewers in the Burling Department we could keep the rooms full, but when this operation was discontinued it was found that we had a number of rooms idle. At this time men were allowed to stay at the Lodge, having as their quarters the rooms on the third floor, and the girls on the second. This practice is still in operation.

In the five years that the Lodge has been operated it has not paid operating expenses. The management does not expect to make money in a proposition like this; it was bought and equipped for the benefit of its employees who were, and are at the present time, obliged to find work away from their home town, and to furnish meals to those of us who live some distance from our work, at a moderate price.

Over one hundred people can be accommodated at one time in the two spacious dining-rooms. Each table will seat four people very comfortably so that you may enjoy your meals as you do in your own home.

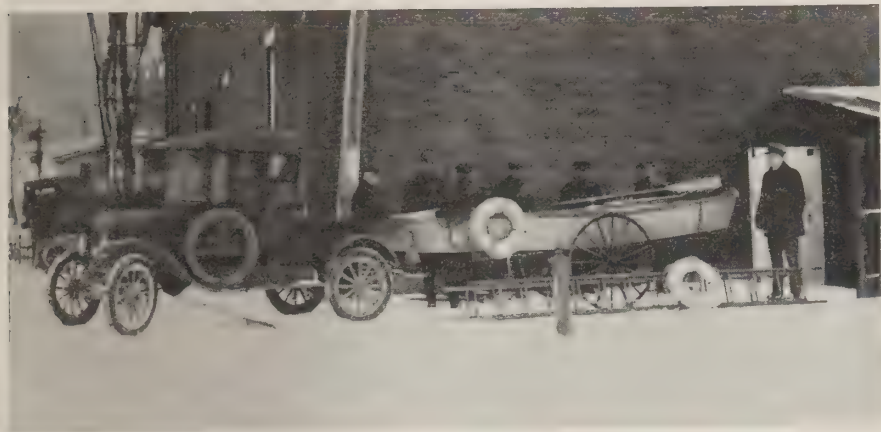
At the present time there are approximately forty-five who eat dinner at the Lodge. In this number are included the employees who make the Lodge their home. It is our aim to have one hundred eat dinner here. Can we do it?

We do not hesitate to say that you can not procure a dinner anywhere in town that will come up to the dinners served here for the price that is charged—fifty cents for employees and sixty-five cents for non-employees. A trial will convince you.

You do not have to make reservations for any of the three meals served daily. Mr. or Mrs. Dion will be glad to welcome you and see that you are made to feel at home.



## Call Out the Life Guards



Well, Sir, believe it or not, here is a real land-going boat. The Safety Committee, with the approval of the management, set out to do what was possible to prevent any more drowning accidents in the ponds around Globe Village. In previous HAMILTONIANS and through other mediums publicity has been given to the efforts which have been made in this direction, but this is the first picture yet presented which shows the boat and equipment which may be used to save someone's life and will at least furnish a means for the quick recovery of anyone who has gone down. Ring life-saving buoys have been placed at convenient places around the ponds, and warning signs have been erected, which it is hoped will keep everyone out of danger, and also provide a means of rescuing those who, unfortunately, do not see or heed the warnings. At the last drowning accident it was found that there was no boat or any

other contrivance in this vicinity which could be used to assist in the quick recovery of the body, but now we will have available the equipment shown above for use in such cases. The boat is kept in a new boathouse constructed at the rear of the storehouse on Mill Street near the garage. It is securely fastened to a two-wheeled gig, so that it may be drawn to any location where needed. It is equipped with ropes, ladder, lifebuoys, hooks and poles. The boat is made of steel so that it will not dry out and will always be ready for service. By telephoning the Mill the boat can be had for life-saving purposes just as quickly as it can be rushed to the spot. Everyone can help out in this safety work by warning the children to keep them away from the water unless they are good swimmers or are well protected. Keep them off thin or treacherous ice.

### Lower Mill

Bob Kershaw, our genial wool weigher at the Lower Mill, spent his vacation last summer at the Henley farm amongst the granite hills of New Hampshire. While there we understand he tried to uphold the honor of Southbridge by showing that we produced pretty good fishermen and baseball players here. One of the young ladies of the party has recently reported that he catches high flies in his bread basket and that the fish up there all love him, he feeds them so well. Bob, you'll have to do better than that if you are going to represent Southbridge.

Raymond Plimpton of the Engineering Department lost his hat in a high wind we had a while ago, and the Finishing Room folks had a good laugh watching him try to fish it out of the pond.

The American Legion in town is now collecting dues for 1926. They want all ex-service men to join up.

Fulgence A. Gareau, who formerly worked in the Paint Shop, but who has until recently been working for an outside painting contractor, is back with the Hamilton, working at the Lower Mill in the Scouring Room.

Louisa Coderre has started to work at the Lower Mill in the Combing Room.

While Joe McNally has been out sick Miss Josephine King has been assisting in the Lower Mill office.

Joseph Firth, Overseer of the Card Room, has been out with a very bad cold recently, but is back to work now and feeling much better.

Anthony Fountaine who works on the dryers at the Lower Mill Scouring Room has been out sick for a while, but we hope to see him well and back to work soon.

J. F. McNally, our popular soccer football fan, who has done a lot for athletics at the Hamilton, has been out for quite a while due to an injury to his leg. He was in a hospital in Worcester for a short while, but is now at home and resting comfortably. He expects to be well again soon, and we will be glad to see him again on his job as clerk for the Lower Mill.

Richard Yates, Overseer of the Lower Mill, is now one of the radio fans along with the rest of us. He is losing sleep, too.

Oliver Cournoyer has started to work in the Combing Room for Mr. Swift. He is learning to run a comb.

A certain young lady who works in the Combing Room at the Lower Mill went to the theater three times the week the Champlin Stock Company were here. Someone said she was pretty keen on one of the actors. (She knows!)

A surprise party and dance was tendered Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Cuddihy at the C. T. A. Hall, the evening of January 2, the occasion being their thirtieth wedding anniversary. About 250 guests were present. They were the recipients of many gifts, including thirty dollars in gold, silverware, cut glass, pearls, silver candlesticks and flowers. The Eldorado Orchestra furnished music for dancing and both modern and old-fashioned dances were enjoyed by all present. Refreshments were served. Mr. P. F. Cuddihy is employed in the Dye House.

## Slashing and Warping

Miss Ada White now occupies the position of clerk for the Slashing and Warping Departments in Mr. McLean's office.

On January 10 Miss Mildred Vilandre was surprised by a group of her friends at the home of Miss Nadia Gatineau. The occasion was her birthday, and she was presented with a beautiful ring.

Miss Roulida Martin was out a few days on account of sickness.

Among the many Hamilton folks that attended the performance of "Rose Marie" in Worcester recently were Mildred Vilandre and Gertrude Proulx.

The month of February—only 28 days! Lincoln's birthday the 12th, St. Valentine's day the 14th, and Washington's birthday on the 22nd.

### RADIO DOCTOR

Leave your order for repair work or demonstration of a new set at the Globe Pharmacy. All kinds of sets.

K. W. CROSSMAN,  
Office Department.

### RADIOS FOR SALE

I am agent for the Thorola Isodyne Radio Receiver, and will be glad to talk with anyone interested in this machine.

JEAN GREGOIRE,  
Card Room, Lower Mill.

ANTENNAS INSTALLED—I will install or repair antennas after working hours, at reasonable rates.—CY LALIBERTE, Electrical Department.

### RADIO REPAIRING

If you want your radio repaired by an expert, call 346-W after 5 p. m. Sets serviced and sets for sale. The new Magnavox one-dial control, \$85 and up.

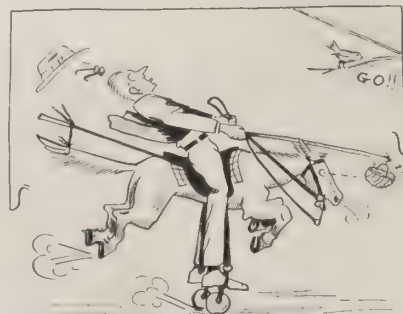
WILLIAM E. ARNOLD,  
Electrical Department

### CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank my friends at the Hamilton who contributed to the purse which was so kindly presented to me while I was ill at the Smith Hospital.

JOSEPH RAPANAULT,  
Electrical Department

## Hitting High Spots



We have discovered a cartoonist who, while not a Hamilton employee, comes pretty close to being one. He owns a drug store in Globe Village, can you guess who he is? He has chosen for his first victim our very popular superintendent, one of whose chief physical characteristics the cartoon features, as well as his hobby. A. C. V. rides his hobby. What he doesn't know about saddle horses doesn't amount to any more than what he doesn't know about mill work—which is zero.

## JOX

A youth seated himself in a dentist's chair. He wore a wonderful shirt of striped silk and an even more wonderful checked suit. He had the vacant stare that goes with both.

"I'm afraid to give him gas," the dentist said to his assistant.

"Why?" asked the assistant.

"Well," said the dentist, "How will I know when he is unconscious?"

Lady (To riding instructor): "Don't you think horseback riding gives one a headache?"

Instructor: "Oh no; quite the reverse."

### Tried and True

"What's the trouble between you and old man Brown?" asked Smith of his ancient comrade, Jim White."

"Nothin' at all," replied the latter. "We're the best of friends. If we wasn't, how do you suppose we'd get along so well together, fightin' all the time the way we do?"

"Is your husband much of a provider, Mirandy?"

"He jes' ain't nothin' else, sir. He gwine to get some new furniture providin' he gets the money; he gwine to git de money providin' he go to work; he go to work providin' de job suits him. I never see such a providin' man in all mah days."

Captain: "Wal, I named that boat the 'Flapper,' because she's allus havin' to be painted, her topmast is loose, an' it's hard to keep any riggin' on her."

"Did you give your penny to the Sunday school, Robert?" asked the fond mother.

"No, ma, I lost it."

"What! Lost another one? That makes three Sundays straight you've lost your penny."

"Yes, but if I keep it up I'll win 'em back. That kid's luck can't last forever."  
—Exchange

"My sister's like a radio program."

"How's that?"

"Anybody can pick her up."—Western Weekly

A nigger sat on the railroad track and he wouldn't budge,

Long came a train—

Chocolate fudge.—Gold and Black.

### NATURALLY

A gentleman sauntered into a strange office with much self-assurance and an air of familiarity, threw down his business card and inquired:

"Who's the main squeeze around here?"

"Well," replied the good-looking stenog, "they'd all take me for it if I'd let 'em."

### FIGURES DON'T LIE

An Irishman working for a Scotchman asked for an increase in pay.

The Scotchman replied: "If you are worth it, I would be pleased to give it to you. Now, let us see what you do in a year, Pat. We have 365 days in a year, you sleep 8 hours every day, which makes 122 days you sleep, taken from 365 days, leaves 243. Now, you have 8 hours' recreation every day, which makes 122 days taken from 243 days, leaves 121 days. We have 52 Sundays in a year which you have off, leaving you 69 days. You have 14 days' vacation; take this off and you have 55 days left. You don't work Saturdays afternoons; this makes 26 days in a year. Take this off and you have 29 days left. Now, Pat, you are allowed 1½ hours for meals, which totals in a year 28 days. Take this off and you have 1 day left. I always give you St. Patrick's Day off, so I ask you, Pat, if you are entitled to a raise?"

Pat then answered, "Well, what have I been doing, then?"



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## Entre Nous Girls Club



Front Row (left to right) kneeling: Alice Taylor, Lillian Oullette, Rose Livernois, Edna Taylor, Marie Devaudreuil, Alma L'Hereux, Marguerite Laliberty.

Second Row (left to right) sitting: Florence Blais, Florence Gaumond, Rena Ricard, Viola Chapdelaine, Elodia Raiche, Irene Leclair.

Third Row (left to right) standing: Eva Lamothe, Betha Chapdelaine, Adrienne Derosier, Jessie Laliberty, Dolores Chapdelaine, Marie A. Lamothe, Camille Gaumond.

Ladies and gentlemen, allow us to introduce to you the Entre Nous Club, most of whose members are shown above. They are mostly all Hamilton folks and are organized simply for the purpose of enjoying good times among themselves. They meet Monday evenings at the homes of their members, each member taking her turn at entertaining the club. The entertainment usually takes the form of a card party followed by singing and dancing although some times games or a

surprise entertainment takes up the evening. Refreshments also form a pleasant part of the evenings entertainment. Miss Florence Blair is president of the club. We don't know whether the club is open for further membership or not but there certainly would be plenty of applicants for membership if the boys were allowed to join. How would you like to be entertained every Monday, boys, by the Entre Nous Club, with the big eats after the cards and dancing?

## A Pretty Miss



The charming little lady on her tricycle is Gladys Manthorne whose father and mother both work here. She is the daughter of Mrs. Sadie Manthorne of the Twisting Room and Charles Manthorne of the Drawing Room. Gladys is the youngest of a family of five children and celebrated her third birthday just a short while ago. The Manthornes have a family to be proud of.

## Hamilton Credit Union Credit—Loans

An Association such as ours exists solely for the purpose of being helpful to its members, by providing an easy way to save, and by the creation of funds through these savings whereby a member may obtain assistance in time of need.

It is desirable that a member should borrow only for some provident purpose, as in the case of sickness, death, and in the purchase of clothing, furniture, coal, etc., where a purchase for cash means a considerable saving over a purchase on a credit basis, and the loan can be repaid in weekly installments plus a low interest charge.

On sums ranging up to \$50.00, the loan is invariably made on the character of the borrower, amounts in excess of \$50.00, have to be secured, the kind of security depending on the amount of the loan.

As every member is aware, the Credit Union is under the supervision of the State Bank Commissioner, and the examiners check up the loans made, and also the manner in which the loans are repaid. A prospective borrower should not borrow any more money than can be repaid in one year, and it is also very important that repayments should be made regularly every week. A borrower who is regular in his repayments is building up his

credit rating, whereas one who is neglectful in this respect is impairing his credit rating, and sometimes to such an extent that he is unable to obtain another loan.

It is probably well to remember that all the money used in transacting the business of the Credit Union is the combined savings of our fellow employees, and money borrowed from the Union is just the same as though we had borrowed it from our friends, and we should therefore be as careful in meeting our obligations to the Union as we would be if we had borrowed money from a friend.

Applications for loans should be made to the Credit Committee before Wednesday noon of each week, and if the application is approved, call at the Credit Union Office on Mill Street between 4 and 5 P. M. on Thursdays. The Credit Committee is as follows:

JOHN ROWLEY	Top Mill
JOHN SWIFT	
GEO. S. RICH	Main Office
H. L. RYAN	Employment Office
W. W. GRANT	Engineering Office

The writer will be glad to answer any questions regarding shares, deposits or loans, either personally or through these columns.

J. H. Wilcock, Treasurer.

## Items

Add to your list for Hamilton Club discounts; Wm. Arnold, 10 to 15% on radio supplies.

Joe Comeau started out to take a sleigh ride with Del Dutilly but he didn't get very far. When Joe sits on one side of the sleigh there is apt to be a lean toward that side as Joe tips the scales well over 200. Del's horse is a spirited one and the first snow bank that they went over was the one that tipped Joe out. Your some high diver, Joe.

Eugene Lange of the Finishing Room wants to thank his friends who voted for him at the Democratic caucus, February 16, when he was a candidate for the nomination for the Board of Public Welfare.

## Hamilton Club Night



Front Row (left to right): Misses Vita Perron, Mae Cuddihy, Irene Salva, Josephine Dumas and Mrs. Emma Mooth.

Back Row (left to right): Harry Knowles, Chairman; Harry Benfield; Fuller Jackson; Thomas Fallon; John Brennan; John Rowley, Stanley Knowles and W. W. Grant.

On April 14 the Hamilton Club will give an entertainment in the Town Hall. The committee shown above is in charge of the arrangements and the developing of the entertainment which will be in the form of an old fashioned Minstrel show. Harry Knowles an old timer at the minstrel show business is chairman of the committee and director of the show. He is ably assisted by his brother Stanley Knowles and the rest of the committee. Mr. Earl Eaton will be accompanist. If the enthusiasm which has been promised by the first two rehearsals continues there is no question but that this will be one of

the most successful entertainments provided by the Hamilton Club. There will be more than fifty Hamilton people in the minstrel, including the soloists, specialty numbers and ends. After the show there will be dancing to music furnished by the Ideal Orchestra of Webster. Admission will be fifty cents but Hamilton Club members who show their membership tickets at the door will be admitted free. Don't forget the date, Wednesday night, April 14 the second week after Easter. This should be a big Hamilton night and everybody should be there.



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NEWS GATHERERS

Every employee of the Hamilton Woolen Company

FREE TO EMPLOYEES

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MARCH, 1926

Mrs. Margaret Murphy

Mrs. Margaret Murphy died on February 6 at her home on Pleasant Street. She was born in August, 1840 and came to work for the company when she was 26. For 54 years she was employed in the Spinning Department and for the last five years has been on pension from the company. She was 85 years and 5 months old at the time of her death. She was known to two generations of employees of the company. A woman of tireless energy she insisted on going to her daily tasks despite the remonstrances of her kindred, and it was not until she was no longer able to make her way to work that she finally accepted the inevitable. The company appreciated her services. Mrs. Murphy had her share of sorrows. Her husband died many years ago, and three sons, who had grown to manhood also preceded her to the grave. One of them was known in amateur baseball circles throughout Worcester county. This was Michael Murphy, who like most good ball players, had a nickname. His was "Turk." Mrs. Murphy is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Margaret Powers, with whom her last years were spent.

John Farquhar

It was with great sorrow that we learned of the death of our fellow worker who was so well known to most of us and who was so well loved, Mr. John Farquhar. For the past forty-three years Mr. Farquhar has worked here and never made any but friends in that time. He died at his home in Sturbridge from heart trouble at the age of seventy-three years. We all extend to his relatives, four of whom work with us, our sincerest sympathy in their great loss.

Mr. Farquhar was born in Barhead, Scotland, 73 years ago, coming to Southbridge when he was 18 years old, his father at that time coming from Scotland to take charge of the calico print works just established here. John entered the color making department of the company where he remained a number of years. After the company discontinued that branch of its business he still remained with it in another capacity, and for a number of years he was one of the caretakers of the property. In recent years he was one of the company's gatemen. His father, after severing his relations

with the Hamilton Woolen Co., bought an estate in the adjoining town of Sturbridge, which still remains in the hands of the family. John, some time later bought the Thomas Harding farm, a mile or two from his father's place, and there he lived until his death. He was a man of steady habits, friendly toward all, and esteemed by a wide circle of friends and acquaintances. He took a deep interest in the welfare of the company and seldom went anywhere but to and from his work.

Finishing Room

Gerard Perrault attended the wedding of his cousin on February 16.

Gene Lange was defeated for nomination for member of the Board of Public Welfare, at the Democratic Caucus, but showed his popularity by getting the second highest vote. Better luck next time, Gene.

Lizzie Ayres was snow-bound in her home on Charlton Road, for a few days after the recent snow storm.

Maggie Comerford was also snowed in, in her home on Pleasant Street, she would have been cooped up much longer, had not Mike Corriveau of Department 20 gone to her rescue, he had quite a job, having to clear the snow for a distance of more than a hundred yards. Anyone who had to do any shovelling after that last storm, knows what that meant.

Mr. and Mrs. William Nolan, of Far Rockaway, L. I., were visiting Mary Ryan recently. Mrs. Nolan was formerly Elizabeth Halligan of this town.

We were sorry to hear of the death of Nolia Proulx's uncle, Mr. Louis Proulx, who died at his home 5 Olney Avenue, on February 22.

Isabelle Templeman spent the week-end with her sister Mrs. Charles Smith of Lynn.

Mary A. Coughlin and Evelyn Dufault, were added to the list of voters recently, casting their first vote at the Democratic Caucus, they say a candidate's good looks mean nothing to them, they want the best men for the jobs.

Louise Gaumond, Cora Cournoyer, Clara Robidoux and Lizzie Morrissey, who have been employed as extras since November 12 were laid off on February 16.

Joe Smith, Stan Stepleski and Evelyn Dufault were out with colds at various times during the month of February.

Jennie Lofgren takes in two shows every Saturday night, first the Strand, and then Blanchard's. Jennie surely loves the "silent drama."

We are glad to hear that Bessie Hogan's little nephew Bernard Whynott, who was struck by an automobile, and badly injured, some time ago, is getting along very nicely. He is at St. Vincent's Hospital, Worcester.

Mary Lachapelle's father is also at St. Vincent's, undergoing treatment for a carbuncle on his neck, we wish him a speedy recovery.

Nap Gaumond's little girl Estelle was operated on for appendicitis, at the Smith Hospital, on February 9, she is home again and getting along fine, we are glad to hear.

The department made a splendid response to the Club Drive, we have now over an 80% membership, which is very gratifying indeed.

Since undertaking the job of news gatherer for the HAMILTONIAN, we have been the recipient of some good "smokes" for which we are duly appreciative, but, what is puzzling is, were they given to us as a bribe to get the donors name in the paper, or to keep it out of it. Some people like publicity. Others do not; we wish we knew.

Elaine Farquhar was out on February 26 on account of the death of her grandfather John Farquhar, late watchman at the Top Mill.

Horrors

Mr. Durgin got quite a shock one day recently, when he saw Julie Domian hanging on to a beam in the ceiling over Joe Laughnane's office, Mr. Durgin stood looking dumbfounded until Julie explained to him that he was chasing a moth. Julie, sure, is a terror to moths, but his friends on the street do not take very kindly to the odor of "Moth Exterminator" which he carries around on his clothes.

Weave Room

Mrs. Bella Rheame, Mrs. Camelia Gauthier and Miss Craite are new members of the Weave Room force.

Mr. Basile Laporte attended the funeral of his father-in-law Mr. Louis Proulx.

Mr. Emile Berthiaume is a member of the Junior pool team of the Cercle Canadien who are playing many matches in this town.

A. Martin might have won the first prize for the best Charleston dancer of Southbridge at the Strand recently only for a bad attack of stage fright which drew him out of his stride. Better luck next time Del.

Miss Ida Chapdelaine was out a few days with an attack of the grippe.

Mrs. St. Germaine and Mr. Alphonse Richard attended the funeral of their father in Canada the past month.

Mr. Ernest McDonald and Roland Levesque members of the Artisan degree team attended the prize drill in North Groverndale.

Miss Catherine Donnelly was out several weeks with a badly sprained ankle.

Mr. Onezime Pleau elevator tender in Department 6 was out several days with a badly burnt arm caused by the over-turning of a large kettle of boiling hot water at his home which fell on his arm.

King Richard might have given his Kingdom for a horse but Harry Benfield would have given the world for a safety pin when his garter broke while he was competing in a Charleston contest at the Strand Theater.

Leo Martin has purchased a Browning-Drake Radio. He has reported getting all the broadcasting stations in the world including Sandersdale and Webster.

Twisting Dept.

There are a large number of girls in the Twisting Room but it is only occasionally that we are able to get a picture of any of them. This is Irene Loranger who works in that department and the



picture is supplied by one of her girl friends who we suspect got the picture when Irene wasn't looking. Whoever took the picture snapped her in a snappy pose. Irene is one of the fastest Charleston steppers in the mill.

Electrical

Cyril Laliberte comes from the middle West and has seen some very large transmission lines. He tells us some very interesting stories but Armand and Andrew don't seem to believe them.

Have you tried the new Magnavox one dial set. 25 to 30 stations in 5 minutes.

See W. E. Arnold for full information.

Armand Anger is back in the Electrical Department again, coming from the Weave Room to us. Armand is a full fledged electrician. He also holds a moving picture operator's license and will be glad to hear from anyone desiring a movie machine operator.

Bill Dennison says if this weather keeps up he will have to get his "Lizzie" down off the blocks and try it out on the road.

Andrew Simpson of the Electrical Department desires to know how to shorten a short circuit, he would be pleased to hear from anyone, on this matter.

Bill Dennison of the electrical department is one of the most bashful men we know of. He simply can not talk to the girls without blushing. The other day a girl in the Winding Room borrowed his jack knife and when she did not return it immediately Bill became struck with modesty and would not ask for it back. The girl finally sent it to him through the mail although no doubt she would have liked to have Bill ask for it.

Anyone interested in interesting lead pencils can ask John Therian in the Electrical Department to show them what he has in that line.



The New Textile Giant

One of the greatest wonders of the present age which is comparable with the development of the automobile, radio, and airplanes is the new textile fibre, rayon. The word rayon has been adopted as the world-wide standard to replace the old negative term of "artificial silk." The Hamilton Woolen Company has in the last year or so used considerable of this new product. The demand in our line of ladies' dress goods has lately been for fabrics of brighter and more varied design, and the rayon which we have used has not been to make fabrics entirely of this material, but to decorate the all-wool fabrics for which the Hamilton Woolen Company has an enviable reputation. These decorations have mostly taken the form of stripes and checks of rayon, borders, etc., although we have made some fabrics with rayon mixed with the wool, which gives the finished piece a very lustrous appearance.

The use of this new fabric has presented us with a great many new production problems, but we have surmounted them all thus far and have produced some of the most beautiful pieces of goods in the wool dress goods line that the trade has ever had offered to them. We hope by continued effort and a determination to obtain perfect results to establish the Hamilton Goods where their quality and design will place them in demand over our competitors.

Other manufacturers make fabrics entirely of rayon and it is this use of the fibre which has taken by far the largest part of its production. Today rayon leads silk in pounds produced by 100%,

the annual production of rayon in 1925 being 150,000,000 pounds and that of silk 75,000,000 pounds.

The proudest lady on Fifth Avenue is not too proud to wear rayon. As a fabric it stands independently on its own merits, on its measure of beauty and usefulness, which is very considerable. Between the beautiful but frail silk, and the coarse but strong cotton, there has been an opportunity for something that would combine the effectiveness of both. Rayon has gone a long way to solve this problem.

Doubtless the idea paramount in the minds of the originators of rayon was to find a substitute for silk. As such it was first called "artificial silk," and when rayon was offered as a substitute for silk there was naturally considerable resistance as there is always in the buying public's mind, as demonstrated by the failure of meeting popular approval which artificial butter and lard experienced when first offered as such. But when the makers of dress goods correctly appraised the present value of rayon and began to produce combinations of new and beautiful effects without seriously impairing the value or utility of these fabrics, this negative feeling was quickly checked. A decisive step in securing favorable acceptance of rayon was taken when the silk manufacturers of America agreed to adopt the name rayon, and to offer it for what it really is—a new fibre that holds fine possibilities for fabric design and manufacture, particularly in decorative treatments.

What is rayon? The chemical secret of silk was discovered in 1710, but not until 1884 did anyone produce silk artificially. Count de Chardonnet produced it from the leaves of mulberry trees. Later

Guess Who?

Guess who these sisters are. One's name is Elaine and the other is Irene. Elaine will be two years old in April and Irene—well, she wouldn't tell us. Most Hamilton folks will recognize Irene Salva who is Clerk in the Spinning Department



Office for Mr. Cornock. She plays the piano noon times for the Hamilton Club in the Recreation Room and has made herself popular with all the young folks by her enthusiastic participation in all Hamilton social activities. She helped out in the recent Hamilton Club membership drive and will probably be heard from in the coming Hamilton Night entertainment, as Irene is an accomplished musician and both the piano and ukulele are her toys. Where Irene is the company is usually jolly, you catch it from her.

The HAMILTONIAN will print in future issues more about this wonderful new fibre which we are using in our product, and which is assisting us to maintain our reputation as the makers of the finest ladies' dress goods. Watch for the next issue, which will tell how the fibre is made by machinery.

Every Day Think of Safety More and More

Just about the time we get to thinking that there isn't much danger of anyone's leaving boards around with nails in them so that anyone might step on them, there is sure to be someone to do that very thing. About a week ago someone left a board with nails in it on the floor and a man stepped on a nail. He went to the dispensary soon after but in spite of that it took several treatments to prevent infection getting the better of his foot. We all know what these dangerous practices are but unless there are frequent accidents or we are reminded of these things often we get careless, with the result that someone is hurt.

About a week ago a girl in the spinning room cut her finger and as a result is out now with a badly infected hand. She is losing a lot in wages and is suffering a lot of pain. The fact that she got cut as it happened was not her fault but the fact that she allowed the cut to become infected probably was. If cuts are immediately treated at the dispensary there is very little danger of there going any further.

This last month a man stepped backwards off a ladder, missed his step and fell. He dislocated his shoulder and will lose pretty near a month's time. This accident could not be called the man's fault at all because we are all apt to miss our step once in a while but it shows that we can never be too careful especially in climbing ladders.

During the month of February there were several accidents which although they did not result in any lost time show that there are still a great many people around the mill that are not as careful as they should be. Several cut themselves with knives while cutting something or other and several others bruised and cut their fingers by jamming them in somewhere.

The thing that is still our greatest trouble maker at the Hamilton Woolen Company is infection or blood poisoning. Accidents will happen and we can't blame the parties that are unfortunate enough to be the victims but infection is a thing that can be practically done away with if everyone will give their cuts, bruises and scratches the attention they deserve. Don't be too proud or stuck on yourself to come to the dispensary with even the slightest cut or scratch to have it sterilized and wrapped up properly.

The management has authorized the purchase of about forty Safety Calendars which were distributed by the Safety Committee. These were so given out that nearly every department of the mill has one. These calendars have a beautiful colored picture for each month of the year and each picture has some meaning which will further our safety work. On the back of each sheet is printed instructions for first aid and also various items regarding health improvement, etc.

The Membership Drive

Wednesday, February 17, was the day set for the 1926 Membership Drive of the Hamilton Club. Loyal members from each department who have "boosted" the club year after year acted on the Committee which was charged with putting the drive across and their combined efforts produced results beyond expectations. As this is being written, seven hundred and twenty-four have joined, and more are still coming in.

Following is the membership by departments, together with the names of the Committee of which Mr. John Dirlam was chairman. Of course many others assisted, and it was the fine spirit of co-operation on the part of everyone that made the drive so successful.

Department	Number of Members	Percent	Amount Collected	Members in Charge
Planning	7	100	\$7.00	Ira Orr
Stores and Receiving	10	100	3.25	May Cuddihy
Department 10—Office	21	100	20.25	R. McMaster
Designing	3	100	1.00	R. Duclos
Machine Shop	12	100	12.00	C. Farrow—E. Collins
Electrical	10	100	7.75	R. Arnold
Engineering	5	100	4.25	Fuller Jackson
Employment or Welfare	11	100	9.50	H. F. Ryan
Watchmen	11	92	9.75	C. F. Farrow
Carpenter Shop	13	87	3.25	Alex. Simpson
Top Mill	76	85	25.25	R. Kershaw
Belt Shop	5	83	1.25	Stanley Knowles
Finishing	55	82	34.25	Dan Russell
Wool Room	19	70	10.25	John Rowley
Weave Room	175	67	50.75	George La Plante
Shipping	12	60	6.75	Miss Smith
Central Mills	58	60	17.00	Gladys Barnes
Power and Pipe Shop	14	58	10.75	Earl Cooper
Blacksmith Shop	1	50	.25	Wm. Proulx
Dye House	46	38	18.50	H. Widdowson
Burling Room	13	35	4.75	Mae Sheridan
Spinning and Drawing	92	31	72.00	I. Salva—A. Richard
Warping and Slashing	11	28	5.75	W. McLean
Twisting and Winding	36	28	13.00	Juliet Lepain
Yard	7	26	4.25	Geo. Potter
Boston Office	1	12	1.00	Sight Draft
	724		\$353.75	

the cellulose, which was the chemical basis of silk, was obtained from many sources—from wood pulp, cotton linters, etc. It was also discovered that more than one process of making it was possible. The viscose method is still in the lead—consisting of treating cellulose with alkali, dissolving in sulphide of carbon and diluting with water. The latest method is the transmutation of cellulose into cellulose acetate, or celanese, which then becomes converted into fibre. The superiority of this method is said to be that it results in a lighter and more supple thread, more useful for the finer kinds of yarn. There are two other processes which, however, are little used in America—the Chardonnet method of dissolving cellulose in a mixture of sulphuric and nitric acids, very much as in the manufacture of gun-cotton, although nitration is not permitted to proceed very far. The fourth method (solution of cellulose in a copper ammonia reagent) is used more in the old country than in America. From this brief outline it must be apparent that a great buzzing of inventive brains has taken place in the development of the industry. Over 2,000 patents have been taken out since 1900. As the process has developed, the appreciation and adaptation of the fibre has progressed rapidly.

The process of commercial manufacture of the fibre is elaborate and expensive, but is being developed by leaps and bounds in this country, as the supply is far below the demand and is not expected to reach a level for several years to come.



## A Story of Wolves

We have troubles in the manufacture of wool goods but we may consider ourselves fortunate that we do not have wolves to contend with. These animals, proverbial of trouble and disaster, are still a hazard in the wool growing industry, as shown by the following story quoted from the "Bulletin of the National Association of Wool Manufacturers":

"During July, 1925, an officer of the Biological Survey succeeded in trapping in Harding County, South Dakota, a notorious wolf known as 'Three Toes,' which was feared by stockmen as much as the Custer wolf, killed several years ago, also by an employee of the Biological Survey. The honor of his capture goes to Junior Inspector Clyde F. Briggs, of the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture. More than one hundred and fifty men have tried for 'Three Toes,' besides the men engaged in several big drives made by the stockmen. Mr. Briggs took him in fifteen days' trapping, using natural wolf scent as bait. The work was conducted in cooperation with the State Department of Agriculture.

"This wolf has been a noted killer for more than thirteen years, ranging over the western half of Harding County and north-western part of Butte County, South Dakota, Bowman County, North Dakota, and the southeastern section of Carter County, Montana. It would be impossible to estimate his entire killings, but from the available data and statements of stockmen who have lost heavily in recent years through his depredations, \$50,000 is a conservative figure. He has destroyed several thousand sheep, as well as a large number of cattle. Horses have not been counted against him, but he has killed many. He seldom killed only enough animals for food, but almost invariably destroyed from ten to thirty head on each visit."

The "Custer wolf" referred to in this account was, in some respects, a more remarkable animal than "Three Toes." His story is to be found in the "Bulletin" of January, 1922, but is too long to quote in full. Over a period of nine years he ravaged the flocks about Custer, South Dakota, and defied all attempts at capture, although a bounty of \$500 had been placed on his head.

For five years of this period he travelled with a mate. After she was killed he attached to himself two coyotes, not as equals but as servants. He never permitted them to come near him, and they could feed from his kills only after he himself had finished. They travelled far out on his flanks, giving him warning of ambush or approaching danger.

Finally H. P. Williams, one of the best hunters of the Biological Survey, was assigned the duty of ridding the region of the pest. He took up the trail in March, 1920, and followed it through many adventures and near successes until October 11 of the same year, when the hunt was ended in a manner best described in the words of the hunter himself:

"He stepped into a trap in the morning and it got a good grip on him. He ran with it about 150 yards, when the hook caught on a tree, but that did not seem to stop him at all. He broke the swivel of the trap and ran on with it on his front foot. I trailed him three miles and got a shot at him and got him. He had been so lucky that I expected that the gun would

## Long Time Worker



Miss Kate O'Hara who was born in Ireland, May 13, 1850, has been one of the Stickers at the Hamilton Woolen Company for nearly sixty-three years. She started to work for the company about 1863 when the Lower Mill was first started. Although she has not been steadily employed here all this while she has never worked anywhere else and her brief absences were taken in order that she might do the work at home while others of her family were employed here. Her father worked here as boss folder in the old Print Works and when this branch of the business was abandoned he started to work at the Lower Mill where he was steadily on the job up until a week before he died.

Miss O'Hara after a few years at the Lower Mill transferred to the weave room and was a Hamilton Weaver for fifty-six years. She started in at the Weave Room when Mr. Hoult was weaving overseer and her last boss there was Mr. Roan. She is now employed in the Burling Room as a burler.

Miss O'Hara in spite of her seventy-six years, sixty-three of which were spent in the Hamilton family, is still at her work regularly and her cheerful and energetic spirit which has endeared her to all her acquaintances is in evidence as much as ever. Her hundreds of Hamilton friends are proud of her record and friendship.

fail to shoot, but it worked O. K. He was smaller than the average male wolf, weighing 98 pounds, and measured just six feet from tip to tip; 11 inches from toe to hock, and had a tail 14 inches long. His teeth would be good for fifteen years. He broke some of them off on the trap, but aside from that they were in good condition. He was an old wolf, with a fur that was almost white."

Don't forget the Sparrows and Starlings this snowy weather. They give us no sweet songs but they stay with us when the song birds go south. Hundreds of Starlings roost in the belfry of the Methodist church nights and fly far afield for their scanty fare during the day. The sparrows stay around your homes and depend on your crumbs for food, if you forget them they are done.

The man who owns a second-hand car shouldn't ever wonder where his young son learns to say those things.

## Animal Lore

There is no other habitant of the animal world so universally known, not so much for himself, as for his aroma. Sniff the tainted air, and immediately we say, "Skunk!" Isn't that so? How can we keep a skunk from smelling? We don't know. A punster would say: Cut his nose off. That's a fact, but it wouldn't help our case any, or our nose either—ask those who know.

A learned editor once said: "When a dog bites a man, that isn't news, but when a man bites a dog, that's news." So in the same breath we will say when a man runs away from a skunk, that isn't news; but when a man runs after and catches a skunk, that's news, and strong news. It is of this that we will narrate to you in the following.

It happened that Tony Gielda, a likeable man well along in his sixties who works in the Dyehouse, was on his way to work one morning this fall from his home in Charlton, somewhat more than 3 miles of a hike (by the way, a daily pastime with him), when he saw something moving along the roadside that looked like a cat, but wasn't. It was a skunk. He recognized it as such immediately. Did he recoil from the sight? Not he. He tiptoed as quickly as caution would permit, and, when within striking distance, made a lunge and caught it. (Sweet essence of meadow sweet!) That pelt was worth something he knew, and a little smell (to him) didn't matter much, so why should he care about anybody else.

It was over a mile from home where he made his catch. He knew that he couldn't go home with his guest and make work on time. He didn't want to be late. Besides, he knew someone in town who would surely buy it, and rather than sell it on the mail order basis, he tucked it, alive and all, into his shopping bag, his daily companion. He intended to dispose of "Popularity" that night after work, and he wanted the goods to produce when making the sale.

Coming events, they say, are forecasted by their shadows. We don't know whether a skunk has one or not, we were never near enough to one, but the mill folks, stirring about in the early morning hour, knew that there was something coming, and it was not a shadow that told them either.

Well, the victor and his captive made the mill gate. His triumphant entry was made just as the bulk of workers were wending their way to their various tasks. It didn't take them long to sense (nasally) what was up and let us tell you that no army, put to rout, ever divided with more rapidity than those workers.

He brought his precious prize right into work with him, and laid it beside his machine. He didn't want to leave it out of his sight. Oh! over-estimated tear bombs! His section boss, after much heated persuasion, made him put it outside. So he dropped it outside the open window near his machine.

Paul Scharschmidt came into the shop in the midst of the nostril blockade, and found Neil, our genial Chemist, palid and pale. A chemist has to withstand all the ominous odors that a chemical laboratory can produce, but this one had them all stopped—noses and all.

Paul hunted up the source of all the trouble, and soon found it, and the owner. He demanded to know where the unwelcome guest was, and was told outside.

"Outside!" said he, "I didn't think this could be worse." Spirits of ammonia, smelling salts and pulmotors!

Paul is an adventurous sort of a fellow, and asked Tony to show him the disturber, figuring it was dead all the time. Tony complied and unloosed the strap, slipping his good right hand in the bag feeling for a tail hold. Finally he pulled the wriggling critter out of his haven, and let him run along the ground calling the while "Poor Kitty," as he stroked his back. Paul, who was close—too close—to the line of scrimmage, made the niftiest side step, and got right back of his interference in such a way that Red Grange would look like a novice.

"Tackle him!" he yelled. "And raus mit him!" Tony tucked him in the bag, and his clogs beat a swift tattoo down the alley way. Tom Cody, the mill cop, saw him coming, and yielded the gate to him.

Tony made his way down town to a hardware store, they said, to sell his prize package to a trader who works there as a pastime. We don't know what kind of a reception he got, but our imagination is very vivid in that respect. Our only regret was that he couldn't find a market for his ware in some milady's toilet shop, where a battle of perfumes could be staged.

Within an hour, back came Tony and his empty bag. He was richer by \$4.00 and—a scent. He didn't sell all that was in the bag, however. All of which reminds us that a poet once sang "break or shatter the vase if you will, but the scent of the roses will cling around it still." Well, we might have our metaphors mixed up a bit but, that rose vase had nothing on Tony's bag for clinging qualities.

Talk about a nine days' wonder, well, there was enough left in the tenth to remind us that something happened ten days previous.

Many nine days—and ten—have come and gone since that memorable morning and mornings afterwards. All that is left now is an impression and a memory, both lasting—everlasting.

## English Class Social

Over two hundred people comprised of the English Class Students and their families met in the Recreation Rooms Monday night, February 8, 1926 for the Mid-term Social which is held every year about this time.

Each student invited his or her entire family and by the number present there couldn't have been many left at home.

It was one of the most enjoyable Socials of this kind held for some time, everyone present taking part in making it pleasant for all.

Six reels of moving pictures were shown, educational and comic, after which ice cream and cookies were served by some of the young ladies in the classes, assisted by their teachers.

Miss Butler, Supervisor of Americanization work in Southbridge, in a few words gave a very good outline of the work being done and of the interest that is being taken in the classes by the students.

The floor was cleared for dancing, music being furnished by Knowles Bros. Orchestra, all present joining in and having a good time.

Arrangements were made by the English Class School Board.



## The Winter of 1925-26



We certainly had plenty of snow this winter to suit even the most enthusiastic lovers of winter time. This picture shows the familiar scene of the Middle Mill Gate in its winter dress. When the snow was coming thick and fast about the first part of February we were kept pretty busy keeping the walks and roads clear for traffic. Ira Orr who happened to

be in front of the camera when this picture was taken doesn't seem to be depressed any by the heavy snow fall judging from his expression. We will all remember this last winter as one of the good old fashioned kind when a snow shovel becomes a necessity in every home. Southbridge may not have the best climate in the world but it has all kinds.

### Office and Thereabouts

Yes, Mary Casey's hair is bobbed and Ruth who craved for individuality fell under the mystic charm also bade "fare-well" to the treasured tresses that had grown about two inches.

Agnes, get away from that horse's head. Going some when you can stop even the Westville bus.

All is well again between the paymistress and Receiving Department. The usual smile was a frown for a few days, but all came out in the wash.

What about the Chrysler Coupe that stops at the lodge these days? Ask Lelia, she knows. Guess Lelia thinks she's putting something over on us—but we know she went to Boston the week end of the 27th and saw the play "Is Zat So."

Mr. Knowles says he is the first comic valentine his mother received. He's had another birthday and we hope he'll have many, many more.

Yes, sir, she's my baby. Howard Freeman has been to Fitchburg again.

Hamilton Smith of the Planning Department is very fond of candy no matter what kind, flavor or shape. But he refuses to take more than one "Feen-a-mint."

Why is it that we can't get out a HAMILTONIAN without there being an article in it about Jack Brogan? We guess it must be because his work takes him all over the mill and everyone knows him. This month he is accused of trying to trade his horse for a sedan automobile and also of preparing himself to become a constable of the Town of Sturbridge.

My what a time we girls are having. To bob or not to bob. That seems to be the question right now with a lot of us. It seems to bob up all the time and has bobbed all around the office Lelia Guptil got hers bobbed because she could take a dare. But why go way to Webster to have it done when we have the best bobbers right here? Olga, Beatrice, Mary and Betty have joined the ranks to put the old fashioned style down. It's

Edna's turn next but of course she has someone else to think of too.

The Cercle Canadien Card Team led by Lorenzo Girard of Department 6 won the card tournament conducted by the societies of this town for the third consecutive year. The prize was a large silver loving cup for the winning team.

### Central Mills

Edward Couteau second hand of the Spinning Room has moved his family from Everett Street to an apartment on Green Ave.

We are all glad to welcome Alma Leduc back in the Ball Warping after being out several weeks on account of the illness of her mother. We would also like to know why she is so sad.

George Rogler is a new comer in the Ball Warping Room. George came to this country several weeks ago from Germany.

Julia LaFleche and Waler Berek are new comers in the Spinning Room.

Miss Josephine Kovalesskie has accepted a position as Doubler tender.

Joseph Leduc has been transferred to the Twisting Room as section hand.

Leo Gamache has been transferred to the Spinning Room as a section hand.

Andrew Miscook is the latest Radio Fan in the Spinning Department. Andrew has what he calls an experimental set. He is trying hard to find a way to make the radio work without using any batteries. He has already worn out three or four storage batteries and no one knows how many dry cells.

Frank Morasky received congratulations on the arrival of a baby son at his home the past month.

Victor Bergeron our beloved reporter at the Central Mills who loves to do wonderful things, has given up the idea of raising his mustache. This is Victor's last attempt. Vic claimed that it was making him cross eyed trying to watch the stragglers grow.

### A Letter to the Editor

Dear Mr. Grant:

I am sending you this article which I wrote about Saving which you can put in the HAMILTONIAN or not, just as you wish. It seems to me that we should all help out on a plan like this if we can.

No, this is not a boost for the Credit Union, although indirectly it shows a way of getting more money so that we would have a little to save that way if we wanted to. I wonder how many Hamiltonians there are who do not care a rap whether they keep their job or not? I don't think there are many, because when a person dislikes his or her job they quit and try to get a better one. The reason most of us are working at the Hamilton today is because it is the best job we have been able to get. We know if we quit that it would be far easier to get a worse job than a better one so we just stay right here on the best job.

Now, how much do we try to make our job even better? Here is what I mean: Suppose we each try to save for the company five cents a day, if there are 1300 of us all together that would save \$65 a day and for five days \$325.00, and for fifty weeks would mean a saving of \$16,250.00. If you ask how can we save the five cents a day the answer is simple. How many times in a day do most of us waste some little thing or other? Take for instance the simple case of a piece of clean wool waste being on the floor; how many of us will go to the trouble of picking it up before it gets dirty? Still that piece of waste loses a good part of its value as soon as it becomes dirty or oily. How many small pieces of chalk in various departments of the mill are thrown into the rubbish can when they might have been used for a few times more? Perfectly good set screws, bolts, machine parts, etc., quite often find their way to the rubbish heap when they might be saved. Most every department has some particular thing which is wasted and very little thought given to it. How many of us are there that control the electric lights over our bench, machine or desk so that they do not burn any longer than is necessary? Often we leave the steam on so long that we find it necessary to open the window, when we might have turned the heat off a half hour sooner and saved that much steam and coal. We all know what our light and coal bills are at home and that the same bills for the Hamilton must be very large. How often do we throw instead of carry some article that is not made to stand a lot of banging around? I could go on for a long time telling of different things we could save on, more in my own department than in any other, simply because I know more about that department than any other.

Now, if we all manage to save at least five cents each day, here is where we come in and get our returns: Saving \$16,250.00 a year will help lower the company's manufacturing costs, which will help to lower the price of the goods we make. Then if the Hamilton Woolen Company can sell our cloth at even one-half cent cheaper than the other fellow it stands to reason considering the quality that we put into our goods that we can sell more. This means that we will have to make more cloth, and that in turn means more hours for us and more money.

Now, I don't know what others will think about this idea but it seems to me to be worth considering and I think that we should express our ideas about such things and if we think they are all right we should try to get others to agree with us and carry them out.

Very truly yours,

A. HAMILTONIAN.



There are but few individuals who have not had, at one time or another, headaches, and there are a surprising number who have them often. These unfortunate people should try to find the cause of their trouble; because a headache is not a disease but a symptom, and to go on indefinitely dulling the pain with aspirin or other headache tablets or remedies is very unwise.

The most common cause of headache is eyestrain, and the remedy is usually glasses; this should be determined by an eye-specialist. Lack of sleep causes headache. The pain from these causes is usually in the forehead. Any infection anywhere in the system, whether it be acute, such as with cold, measles, diphtheria, or any of the contagious diseases; or more or less chronic, such as infection of the passages or sinuses leading from the nose into the cheek bones and bones of forehead, diseased tonsils, adenoids, bad teeth with pus pockets at their roots, will produce headache. Anemia, a deficiency of blood or red corpuscles, and some blood diseases cause headache. Constipation, inability of the liver to function properly, and stomach disorders produce this condition. A great percentage of frontal headaches not caused by eyestrain is caused by kidney trouble. Neuralgia of the head will, of course, cause pain.

One afflicted by headaches should observe his habits of living to determine whether or not he is living hygienically. Too many people do not give Nature a chance to work properly. If eight hours sleep every night in a well ventilated room; exercise; enough but not too much food at regular intervals; plenty of water, internally and externally, do not clear up the trouble, the next step should be attention of eyes and teeth. If the eyes or teeth are not to blame a general physical examination by your doctor should be undergone, and he will find the trouble. A headache is a danger signal.

Ralph Hammond of the Top Mill played the role of a hero the other morning. When he was coming to work, he heard a cry down near the Central Mills Pond and upon investigating he discovered a small dog at the water edge, caught in a muskrat trap. The dog was caught by his two hind feet and Ralph had great difficulty in releasing him, but finally succeeded in freeing the dog and the animal was so scared he "beat it" without leaving any address so Ralph could notify the owner.



## Murmurs from Hamilton Lodge

Mrs. Springer says she will not be the last to bob her hair, so some of the girls better look out or they will be left for the last.

Mrs. Dion's pet cat ran away from home lately. He returned next day and was welcomed as a Prodigal. We hear he has a girl whose name is Jenny. He got a good scolding.

Nettie Oliver who used to live at the Lodge sent a Valentine to her Aunt Mrs. Springer and Al Weber received one also. Nettie knows some things. Mrs. Springer's was a paper bell and Mr. Weber's was a bleeding heart. Al showed his to all the Lodgers. The old days are gone when the parlor was a good place to read but Nettie is looking forward to better times.

Al Weber tried to teach baby Turner how to speak German and Swiss but Mrs. Turner is the only one the baby is on speaking terms with. Baby Turner won't need the parlor much longer and then perhaps the heart and bell will have a chance.

## Machine Shop

Anyone wishing to purchase blue shirts can apply to Richard Collins and Alfred Langevin, officers of the law, at the H. W. Company for they can buy them cheap.

We understand Arthur Matte has had a telephone installed in his home. (W. W. W.) We wonder why?

Alfred Gaumond is in the junk business opposing Del. Raiche in the tin business.

## Radio Spooks

Bert Ryan has a Radio and Bert says it is a good one and he has everything to go with it. One night recently he left his charger on all night and part of the next day because he wanted to get something special the following night. After listening to what he was after he went down cellar to fix the fire for the night.

His machine being so quiet he did not hear it when he came up from the cellar so he retired without turning it off.

Some time in the night Bert's wife woke up and said she heard music. Bert being a sound sleeper did not hear it but turned over saying something like "it must be the other side."

In the morning everything was quiet until Bert's boy was playing near the Radio when he told his mother to come and hear music.

Bert must have heard more music when he got home for his wife pays the electric bill.

Some of us live to a ripe old age and others try to see how rapidly we can get through traffic to nowhere in particular.

A conference nowadays is any group of men who meet after their minds are all made up and then adjourn the same way.

Speeders should either turn over a new leaf or their license.

It will be several years before Europe burns the mortgage.

Once there was a man who could drop back into second gear without offering some alibi to excuse his car.

## Spinning

We asked George Lavallee, second hand in Spinning Room number two, the reason for his hike to Westville every other night. His answer was "My doctor has ordered it for my health" but one of the fair sex well known around here tells a different story. She said "Oh, George's chocolates were delicious the other night."

We are very glad to see Miss Marseline Chouinard back again after a three days absence with the gripe.

Lyman Frenier was out sick a few days but is back now looking fine.

The Spinning Room bowling team is very anxious to hear from the Machine Shop team in regard to a bowling match. Cold feet?

Walter Peters of Spinning Room number one we understand is quite a housekeeper so anyone interested in hiring a first class man of this kind would probably find Walter willing to work out by the day or week.

Theodore Savary of number two Spinning Room can boast of being a very good hunter. From October 20, 1925 to February 15, 1926 he claims 55 rabbits have fallen before his deadly aim. (Found them all asleep).

Yvette Tavernier at the opening of the new theatre was seen with her new *Special* Kido Reilly. Atta girl Yvette, nothing like starting in young.

Alice Taylor of No. 4 Spinning Room is quite taken up with Stuart Tully's "pine-apple clip" that she's liable to join the club most any day.

It is reported that Bernard O'Donnell can't keep away from his Buick any longer, and although it is jacked up in his garage he spends half an hour each evening in the front seat hanging on to the steering-wheel.

Aldea Berger and Rose Remillard must have been very tired one night recently. While walking through the middle mill yard after work they suddenly with one accord sat down good and hard, but on account of there being about three inches of water where they sat they got up even quicker than they went down.

## Fiskdale News

### Dressed Chicken

Margaret Tierney started off down to Southbridge with instructions to bring back a "Dressed Chicken." Probably it wasn't specified what kind of a dressed chicken it was that Margaret was to bring back but at any rate she bought herself a new hat and came home in it.

Edgar Julian found amongst the empty spinning bobbins, one with some black yarn on it so naturally Edgar wants to know if we are using wool from black sheep.

The Spinning room bowler took a fall out of Connors Stars by 54 pins recently in a very exciting game. Arthur White-oak rolled high total at 109. The teams were: Spinning—Tully, A. Masi, White-oak, Lavallee and L. Masi. Connors Stars—R. Yates, T. Fallon, R. Kershaw, L. Lange, and Charles Thebeault.

One way to keep your friends is not to give them away.

There were almost as many dandelions as flivvers last summer.

## We Bet You'll Fail, Too

You may think we are pretty smart, just as we did; nevertheless we didn't see the catch in this intelligence test from "Kalends," published by The Williams and Wilkins Co., Baltimore. Ever since we failed we've been going around with our heads hanging down to indicate our shame.

A man, having purchased a set of twelve volumes, placed them in a bookcase in order, the volume numbers reading consecutively 1 to 12 from left to right. In each volume there were 200 pages or 100 leaves. Each volume was 1 inch in thickness, making each leaf one one-hundredth of an inch in thickness. For the purpose of this problem, we will not consider bindings or end leaves and the pages will be numbered from 1 to 200 consecutively.

A bookworm started from page 1 of volume 1 and ate through the set in a straight line to page 200 of volume 3. How many inches did the bookworm eat through?

Study over this, determine your answer, and then look at the bottom of the next column to see why you are wrong.

## Do You Know?

About the year 4000 B. C., a public medical dispensary was established in Egypt.

England claims the South Pole and Canada claims the North Pole. What are they going to do with them?

Peter Minuit bought Manhattan Island for \$24.00 several centuries ago. My! What a sales argument for Florida land salesmen.

Telegrams sent in connection with horse racing represent nearly 17% of the entire telegraphic business done in England.

The sign by which all oaks may be recognized is the acorn. There are now no less than 300 kinds of oak grown.

An altitude of 6,000 feet is known to have been reached by eagles, larks and crows.

The Mormons have the distinction of being the first people to use the present system of irrigation.

The largest quantity of ambergris ever found was discovered inside a huge sperm whale caught off Natal. It weighed half a ton and realized about \$1,000,000.

The temperature range of the "Libyan," a portion of the Sahara Desert, is said to be from a few degrees above freezing at night to around 110 degrees F. during the day.

The United States Department of Agriculture has proved that seeds buried for twenty years will grow when planted. In some cases 40-year-old seeds have been made to germinate. Reports from Japan indicate that seed buried for about 400 years has been grown successfully. The assertion that wheat seed taken from prehistoric tombs has grown after several thousand years storage is branded as "impossible" by authorities.

Ancient thimbles of beaten brass have been found that are said to have been in use prior to 79 B. C.

The United States produced 9,000,000,000 gallons of gasoline in 1924, as against 1,500,000,000 gallons in 1914. Eighty per cent, or about 7,780,000,000 gallons was for domestic consumption, while nearly 1,500,000,000 gallons went abroad. Our gasoline exports are said to exceed those of all other competitors combined.

The annual per capita consumption of gasoline in this country is said to be 69.3 gallons, while that of the United Kingdom is 11.6 gallons.

In Constantinople, the fire department uses a small hand pump and a hose of the garden variety for fire fighting. As a result, the fire loss is said to be very heavy, and the city has to be virtually rebuilt every 50 years.

## About Automobiles

In 1896, England still had a law prohibiting any power-propelled vehicle from traveling over public highways at a higher rate of speed than four miles per hour. Even then it was required that they should be preceded by a man carrying a red flag.

The dollar in 1913 will today buy \$1.11 worth of automobile, \$1.03 worth of gasoline and \$1.20 worth of tires. And just think how much better is the product we buy today as compared with that of 1913.

In 1924, a new automobile was built for each fifty feet of new road.

## The New Boy

Here are a few of the things that the new apprentice boys at the plant always were sent to get in former years, according to Fred T. Love, who is one of our old-timers:

A Babbitt hammer to be case hardened.  
White lamp black.  
A long rest.  
A spindle stretcher.  
A bell bottomed reamer.  
A putting on tool.  
A round square.  
A left hand monkey wrench.  
A hard rubber reamer.  
A feather pounder.  
A hard rubber oil stone.

—B. C. A. News.

## THE ROW

*We two had a row somehow,  
Perhaps she was tired, and I didn't care,  
Perhaps I did something which she couldn't bear,  
But, however that was, the disturbance was there.*

*At first it muttered,  
Hard words were uttered,  
The harder and harder, until things grew  
Exceeding unpleasant for each of us two.*

*And I came to think,  
That we'd reached the brink  
Of the grave of friendship,  
Whose loss we would rue.  
So I begged her pardon,  
(What else could I do?)  
She declared she was sorry  
(I hope it was true).*

*And the tempest's frown  
Smoothed slowly down,  
And muttered and rumbled and died away.  
But what 'twas about,  
I couldn't make out,  
And don't know to this day.*

—B. C. A. News

## (Answer)

The bookworm ate through but one volume of the set (volume 2), since page 1 of volume 1 is on the right-hand side of the book when reversed and placed in the bookcase and page 200 of volume 3 is on the left-hand side of that volume. The bookworm, therefore, ate through volume 2 only, making his total journey 1 inch in distance.





High Hat

We are dying with curiosity to know who Mary Coughlin's stylish friend is. We don't know anyone around town who wears such classy headwear, and look at the cane, too; where are the spats, Mary?

Lower Mill

The old saying that the early bird catches the worm (providing the frost is out of the ground) was brought home quite forcibly to "Bob" Kershaw the other day. Some time ago Bob put in an order for a lot of shrubbery and he stipulated that he wanted them early in the spring. He wanted to get a good start in planting them. To Bob's dismay the shrubs arrived on February 23 and now he has had to get in some more fuel to keep them from freezing. Bob says "They must think this state is as warm as Florida."

Edward Fountaine and his sister won the prize fox trot at the dance in the Recreation Room on Saturday, February 13.

Claudio Pleau of the Combing Department won a box of cigars at the Gibraltar's Whist and Dance February 15.

Anthony Fountaine of the Scouring Department had his wife send in his dinner a short while ago, but he is still waiting for it. It seems that his wife had no one to bring the dinner in so she asked a passing boy to carry it to the Lower Mill and gave him some change for his trouble. The boy started off all right but whether he fell into some man hole on the way down or that he got hungry and finished the dinner is not known yet as Anthony is still waiting for his dinner pail.

Joseph McNally has returned to his duties at the Lower Mill having recovered from an injured leg. As he lost 15 pounds there he says the hospital is a great place to reduce.

Wm. Kermack is now the owner of a Hudson sedan so now we will hear no more about the durability of the Chevrolet or their hill climbing abilities. We hope the Hudson will give him as good service as the Chev did.

Burling Room

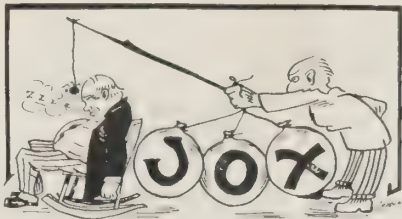
Mrs. Nellie Murphy has returned to work, after being in the hospital in Holyoke for treatment.

Mrs. Emma Beaudreault attended the funeral of her uncle, Louis Proulx, who died in Southbridge, February 23.

Miss Albina Gaumond is out sick with a very severe cold.

Mrs. Lizzie Springer was out a day recently on account of illness.

Why is a woman like a flower?  
Because when she fades she (Dyes).



ROSE TO THE OCCASION

They were very much in love, but at length came the day when they had a bitter quarrel. They parted, each resolved never to see the other again.

Years passed and they had almost forgotten their little love affair, when one evening they met at a dance.

The man felt rather embarrassed, saying softly:

"Why, Muriel!"

She looked at him indifferently.

"Let me see," she said, calmly, "was it you or your brother who used to be an old admirer of mine?"

"I really don't remember," he replied, affably. "Probably my father."

—"Smiles," Chicago Daily News.

A SOCIAL ERROR

But yesterday upon the street—

I state this for a fact—

A friend of mine I chanced to meet,  
Whose eye was newly blacked.

I was polite at first, and spoke

Of other matters minor,

And then I asked, "Who was the bloke  
Who handed you that shiner?"

"I cannot tell." He shook his head

"And yet I will confess

I'd like to meet the man who said

A woman's 'No' means 'Yes'."

—Dalnar Devening.

A SOUTH-EAST ROMANCE

A man from Maine boarded a street car in the South.

A southerner got up to give a lady his seat.

The eastern man beat the lady to it.

\* \* \* The body will be shipped back East for burial.—The Nashville Tennessean.

Judge: Guilty or not guilty?

Rastus: Not guilty, suh.

Judge: Ever in jail before?

Rastus: No, suh. I never stole anything before.

—The Eagle.

Judge: Are you trying to show contempt for the court?

Prisoner: No, I am trying to conceal it.

—Ex.

OUR SHORT STORY

"Will you marry me?" said he.

"No," said she.

And they lived happily ever after.—The Family Wash.

NOT KNOCKING THE LADY

[Ad in Clinton (La.) Southern Watchman]

A Real Highbred Kentucky Saddle Horse . . . Five gaits and no road is too long for him, perfect pet in the paddock and has been ridden by a lady for two years. Accustomed to all sights and sounds.

In 1908



Back Row (left to right): Steve Domian, Frank Horr, Jack Walsh. Front Row (left to right): James Grant, Leo Goddu, Charlie Buckley, Jack Brogan and Frank Domian.

All the men in this picture except one still work here although the picture was taken 18 years ago. Some of them have been with the company a great many more than 18 years, however. We'll bet that it makes them feel like old men to see their picture printed as old timers but some of them have a good many years

to go before they are the real thing in the "Old Timer" line. The picture was taken near the steps of the Cotton Mill building off West Main Street in the good old summer time of 1908. Without reading their names how many of them do you know? Since they have been here eighteen years it seems everyone should know them.

CLASSIFIED ADS

NOTICE—If Wilbur Banks, who deserted his wife and baby twenty years ago, will return, said baby will knock his block off.

Did they hold you up when you came over the Canadian line?

Hold me up? Say, they had to carry me.

Frank Darling doesn't go to Oxford very often, but when he does it's Rowdy Dow.

Wonder what's so fascinating about these red-headed girls, Jimmie?

Doughnuts for sale—See Beatrice Smith of the Cost Department.

ORDERS IS ORDERS

"Now, waiter, I want an extra nice porterhouse, cut thick. Give my regards to the chef. Tell him to put a little piece of fat on top when he grills it, and to sear it quickly on the outside so it will be juicy. I don't want it burned up nor should it be undone—just right, a little rare in the middle, you know, and plenty of gravy. Now you tell the chef exactly what I require."

"Yes, sir," said the waiter, "certainly, sir." Then he shuffled to the rear, whistled down the speaking tube and shouted: "Hey, Joe, bifstack!"—The Eagle.

Dear W. McLean: Last night I visited another Scotchman's house, Mr. David Simpson's, and while we were listening to his radio I noticed that he shut the set off for all the announcements. By just shutting the set off as soon as the music stops until it starts again he saves a good deal of his B batteries. I think this is a good thing for us all to know.

Sincerely yours,

WM. KERMACK.

HIS TIP

Jimmie Simpson (to a friend who has just done him a good turn): "Mon, I conseeder ye've been verra obleegin'. Will ye tak' a pinch o'snuff?"

THRIFTY

McSparen (leaving home): "Noo Janet, dinna forget to mak' leetle Sandy tak' his glasses off when he's na lookin' at nothing."

Say It—

Some of the crowd came back strong with the "Say it" rhymes. Here are a few of the best ones. Anybody else got any?

Say it with a clock and be alarmed.  
Say it with clams and pull in your neck.  
Say it with a Fisk and re-tire.  
Say it with music and be in tune.  
Say it with coffee and you'll have the grounds.  
Say it with a calendar and get a date.  
Say it with pie and have a lot of crust.  
Say it with honey and it will be sweet.  
Say it with glue and stick around.  
Say it with Alizarine Blue F F and dye.

Department 4

Irene Lavallee and Emerence Leblanc attended a prize drill in Grosverdale recently.

Mrs. Margaret Davis is back to work after being confined at her home with a sprained ankle.

Mrs. Rose Messier has left the employ of the Winding Room to reside in Central Falls.

Mrs. Stephania Lotozek attended the funeral of her cousin on February 22.

Lydia Raiche entertained a group of friends at a Valentine party on Monday, February 22.



## Events of The Past Month



## Bowling News

A bowling team comprised of Jack Walsh, Pete Leduc, Homer Bonin, Raymond Yates and Dan Russell, rolled against the Office team recently, and like all the other teams who have had aspirations to break the long string of victories piled up by the pen-wielders went down to defeat. Whilst not in any way wishing to detract from the Office team's victory, we would like to say that the team was not picked up with any idea of its being a representative Finishing Room team, and we are very sorry if anybody's feelings were hurt, by not being asked to bowl, nothing like that was intended, but as only five could roll, it was inevitable that some had to be left out. From what we have since learned, it appears that a very strong bowling team can be picked up to represent this department, we have not the figures before us, but, we are told that a few years ago when bowling was so popular throughout the plant, the Finishing Room won the Mill Championship, and that the team's average was up around the 100 mark, and all the members of that team are still with us. In view of the fact that they are out of practice now, whether they would be able to beat the Office team is hard to say. While not demanding a return match with the Office five, the same team would be glad to roll them again, for, in addition to being pretty good bowlers, they are pretty good fellows, and we enjoyed our last game with them very much.

The Weave Room bowling team took the champ out of the champion office bowling team when both teams met in a match recently. The office force were defeated by the Weave Room workers by a total of 137 pins. The totals of each team were: Weave Room 1374, Office 1237.

Alphege Cournoyer was high man for the Weave Room with a single string of 105 and a three string total of 293. Mr. George Watson was high single string man for the office with a string of 99 and Frank Darling high three string total of 257. Following are the lineups of both teams.

Weave Room	Office
John Winch, Capt.	Frank Darling, Capt.
Alphege Cournoyer	Gus. Peterson
Armand Girard	Hamilton Smith
Henry Champigny	C. Williams
Noe Gaudette	George Watson

The Weave Room team captained by John Winch was defeated by Conner's Pets in a very close bowling match by four pins.

The total pin fall was Conner's Pets 1340, Weave Room 1336.

John Winch was high single string man with a pin fall of 109 and Henry Champigny won high total with a three string total of 293 for the Weave Room team.

Annie Such of the Drawing Department attended the wedding of her cousin in Chicopee Falls on January 30.

I think I loaned my Hawkin's Electric Guide No. 6 to some one but I can't think who it was. I may have lost it. If anyone has this book, will they please return it to me? WM. ARNOLD, Electrical Department.

## Wool Room

Measles have caused more than the usual worry and anxiety to Michael Ahearn. Both his children, Wilfred and Francis were stricken at nearly the same time. Finding it very difficult to obtain a nurse at that time he was forced to stay out of work and take the role himself.

## Lesson No. 1

A stranger presented himself in the Wool Room recently with our paymaster and walking up to James Beaumont, shot out abruptly, "Is your name James Beaumont?" Receiving the reply of "Yes, yes, twenty-two years," he immediately left with no further explanations, leaving Jim much mystified as to his intentions, good or bad. Now, there are many reasons for wishing to know whether a man is married or not, many explanations have been offered and Jim has been well informed of all the possibilities by his immediate shop mates. He has been so well informed that possibly in the future when a stranger seeks information of a personal nature the answers may sound something like this "Who wants to know?" "What's it to you?" The moral would be, "Never let a stranger find out more about you than you about him."

## Supper Extraordinary

Those of the Wool Room who belong to the Sons of St. George have had the satisfaction of enjoying a grand tripe supper at their lodge rooms. This yearly event, from the general talk heard, appears to be of much more than usual importance. The tripe used is not the ordinary kind commonly bought at our stores but an especially cured and imported article and seems, to be considered a great delicacy. On Ben Whitehead stating that he thought one hundred pounds of tripe has been ordered, Bill Benson has been figuring about how many cows this would take. Needless to say Bill's taste has not been sufficiently developed to thoroughly appreciate this savory luxury.

## More Bowling Champs?



From right to left, front row: Yates, Paulus, Kershaw, Fallon  
From right to left, back row: Thebeault, Connors, Lange

Try and keep this crowd out of athletics and sports. Just try and do it. It can't be done. Just as soon as they hear that someone is claiming a championship or are starting anything in the line of sports they want to be in the competition. This picture was taken of them representing a bowling team. They must be pretty good at it too because they took a fall out of

the Weave Room team. Most of them work in the Finishing Room, although Charley Thebeault works in the Packing Room. Their hands are just itching for the feel of a championship loving cup but there is a good team in the Weave Room and maybe some other teams around that could be picked up that would contest them for that honor.



# THE HAMILTONIAN

## Hamilton Club Minstrels & Dance

### TOWN HALL, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14th

MINSTRELS START AT 7.30 SHARP      DANCING 9.15 to 12 P. M.      IDEAL ORCHESTRA

ADMISSION  
Free to Club Members Who Present Their Cards at the Door  
Admission to All Others, 50 Cents

Harry Knowles, *Director*; Earl Eaton, *Pianist*; William Olney, *Interlocutor*  
*End men*: Miss Irene Salva, Miss Mae Cuddihy, Harry Benfield, Eugene Lange, Stanley Knowles and Harry Knowles.  
*Solos by*: Miss Lelia Guptil, Mrs. Mary Jacques and George Gaetjens. *Duets by*: Miss Yvette Tavernier and Elie Allard, *also by* Mrs. Emma Mooth and Claudio Pleau. *Quartet*: Richard Yates, Thomas Fallon, Raymond Goodell and Howard Freeman. *Instrumental solos by*: Fuller Jackson.  
*Chorus*: Jeannette Collette, Alice Chamberlain, Ora Collette, Yvonne Chamberlain, Irene Loranger, Jeanne Malo, Ida Chapdelaine, Victoria Schesler, Vita Perron, Agnes Lockhart, Yvonne Leduc, Helen Kovaleski, Eva Lariviere, Elizabeth Perron, Louise Durgin, Cecilia Fallon, Mary Shea, Vera Lawton, Frances Smith, Eleanor Gauthier, Eva Poulin, Gladys Barnes, Clarinda Pelletier, Ida Lockhart, Adolph Flagg, Wm. D. Bates, Thomas Firth, John H. Curboy, Earl C. Lawton, Honore Renaud, Osias Gauthier, John Roan, James Ira Orr, H. K. Smith, Adelard Martin, Paul Lavallee, Lionel Ayotte, Joseph Cournoyer, Ernest Desmarias, Joseph E. Belanger, John Wm. Swift, Robert Kershaw, Walter Peters, Jesse Blackburn, W. W. Grant, Roland Levesque, Wilbert Ford, J. Rowley, G. Patnaude.

PROGRAM:

Opening Chorus  
"In your Green Hat you'r Wonderful" . . . . . Eugene Lange  
"Gee, but there's Class to a Girl like You" . . . . . Mrs. Mooth and C. Pleau  
"There ain't no Flies on Auntie" . . . . . S. Knowles  
"Always" . . . . . Mrs. Mary Jacques  
"Clap Hands here comes Charlie" . . . . . I. Salva and Mae Cuddihy  
"A Cottage Small" . . . . . Thomas Fallon  
Marimba Solo . . . . . Fuller Jackson  
"D'ye Love Me?" . . . . . Lelia Guptil  
"Longing" . . . . . Yvette Tavernier and Elie Allard  
"Under the Ukulele Tree" . . . . . Harry Knowles  
"West of the Great Divide" . . . . . George Gaetjens  
Selections . . . . . Male Quartet  
"The Baby Looks Like me" . . . . . Harry Benfield  
Closing Chorus

This Will Be A Grand Good Time—Don't Miss It!



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## NEWS GATHERERS

Every employee of the Hamilton Woolen Company

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APRIL, 1926

## "I Heard"

Have you ever noticed that almost any kind of a story can be started by simply prefixing the two little words "I heard?" You see if anyone gets inquisitive or it turns out that you were wrong, why you can forget where you heard it. Then again, any hard luck that may trail in the wake of the "I heard" story can be blamed on the mysterious person from whom "heard."

A community is doing well in a business way, the stores are selling goods, the mills are running full time, times are prosperous and everyone is enjoying life. Along comes an "I hearer" with, "I heard that bad times are expected and that folks in the next town are already retrenching." "I heard that the garage business is terrible almost everywhere" etc., etc. with the result that the stores scale down their orders, the mills go on short time and the "I hearer" has done his work.

They love to hear themselves talk, these "I hearers" and they are perfectly happy when disclosing startling and important bits of news or scandal which they have "heard." They heard that so and so was pretty nearly on the rocks and of course they don't know but they heard that it was mostly because his wife naged him. The "I hearers" take no responsibility for the stories they start or continue in circulation but they sometimes succeed in bringing about the conditions which they talk about.

Notice how often the "I heard" story is a bird of ill omen, how much more often do we hear the "I heard business was getting bad" than we do the "I heard that business is better" or "I heard that so and so is doing better in spite of difficulties."

Don't hide behind the "I heard," if you don't know, don't say anything even if you have to go without saying something clever.

## Gardens

Planting time will soon be with us.

Do you want a Garden this year? If so, do you want the same Garden lot that you had last year?

It is up to you who are interested in Gardens to say whether we will have gardens or not this year.

We will plow, harrow, stake out and furnish fertilizer if you say you want them.

Hand your name to your foreman or anyone of the Garden Committee, which will be the same as last year, and if enough

interest is shown we will start operations as soon as the ground is ready for plowing.

Remember we have only the following plots available—

Eleven lots in Hamilton Street Plot.  
Thirty lots in Triangle Street Plot.  
Thirty-three lots in Ball Field Plot.  
Sixteen lots in Central Mills Plot.

## More About Rayon

Last month's HAMILTONIAN contained an article telling something about the newest textile giant which has taken its place beside the other giants, Wool, Cotton and Silk. Rayon, which is helping us to offer dress goods to the buying public which not only contain the old established measure of Hamilton quality but which have style appeal comparable to the finest of fabrics.

The chemical and mechanical processes used in the manufacture of this fibre have been developed to produce threads ranging from the heavy, stiff monofil, known as artificial horsehair to the fine, pliable multi-filament threads which rival natural silk in softness, lustre and touch. These threads can be made of filaments continuous and unbroken in length for thousands of yards, or they can be made of short staple fibres, giving the thread the characteristics of cotton or wool. They can be made rough and dull or smooth and lustrous; in fact the possibilities for variation are infinite and have only begun to be investigated.

In the Nitrocellulose process of making Rayon the pure cellulose in the form of cotton is nitrated with nitric acid in the same way that gun cotton is made, with nitrocellulose resulting. This is dissolved in alcohol and ether, forming a viscous liquid called "collodion." The fibre is formed by forcing the "collodion" through minute openings into filaments which pass through warm air, drying the thread. The filament is denitrated and, after bleaching, is washed, dried and spun into a thread. The volume of the worlds production which is made by this method is now only about 18 per cent although this was the original method used when Rayon was first commercially manufactured.

Another little used method for making Rayon is the Cuprammonium process in which the material which is forced through the spinneret is cellulose in an ammoniacal copper oxide solution. The filament is delivered into a solution of caustic soda to liberate the ammonia and copper, or glucose may be added to precipitate the copper as cuprous oxide. Forming the filaments into a thread is

quite similar to the Nitrocellulose method although the solution does not coagulate naturally on coming in contact with air or water and must be passed through a solution of sulphuric acid for this purpose.

The above two methods, briefly described, for making Rayon are the least used although perhaps about 25 per cent of the world's supply is made by these methods. There are two other methods which will be described in the next HAMILTONIAN; the Cellanese or Cellulose acetate process and the Viscose process both of which are being very largely used.

## Hamilton Goods

Last month the selling house which sells all our goods, Amory Browne & Co., announced to the trade the Hamilton Woolen Company line of Ladies Dress Goods for the fall season of 1926. This year we are manufacturing the most comprehensive variety of All Wool and Part Wool plain and fancy fabrics we ever have, these include a full range of Rayon and Worsted mixtures for the dry goods and specialty manufacturing trades.

The outstanding style features of the fabrics now being made are the three major lines called "Silver Glow", "Luster-aye" and "Crystal Drape". The line also includes granite crepes, twills and reps, as well as woven and decorated fancies. Tartan plaids which are exact copies of patterns associated with the major Scottish clans are also included. These of course are all wool and great care is being taken to produce them in the exact design with all the vitality of color for which the originals are noted.

Another prominent fabric amongst our products is the sheen twill which we are making in all wool and in cotton warp both in 36 and 54 inch widths. The cotton warp goods in this fabric achieves a surface effect which compares very favorably with that of the all wool fabric.

Rayon decorated cotton warp and all wool fabrics obtain unusual attractiveness and we are presenting six different ideas in this line, including stripes and plaided effects. Block effects, shadow plaids and stripes are developed in the weave with the aid of rayon and wool twisted yarn the technique of which we have developed to our credit.

All these goods are offered to the trade in a wide range of colors, pastel shades being prominent. Beiges, browns, rosewood or distinctly reddish cast, and reds which come in quite prominently. Greens, navy and several shades of lighter blue which it is thought will be quite popular next fall are also being made up.

## Athletics

Now that the outdoor season has arrived, the various sports committees of the Hamilton Club will have to get busy and get something organized for us. It is a little early yet for very much baseball or football but some of the old-timers are getting ready to start a game of barnyard golf for the noon hour period. The following are the committees which are responsible for the various sports this year:

### ATHLETIC ADVISORY BOARD

John Rowley, Chairman; Joseph Laughnane, George Simpson, Ernest Birdsall, Richard Yates.

### BASEBALL COMMITTEE

James I. Orr, Chairman; Joseph McNally, Sec. and Treas.; Wm. Vreeland, R. Duclos, T. Houle, E. Lawton, J. Walsh, Geo. Patenaude.

(To be appointed later) Field Manager.

### SOCCER FOOTBALL COMMITTEE

Percy Whiteoak, Chairman; Joseph McNally, Sec. and Treas.; David Simpson, Eric Turner, John Swift, Wm. Kermack, Dan. Russell, Wm. Bates, H. O'Donnell, Joseph Firth, Field Manager.

### TENNIS COMMITTEE

Frank Williams, Chairman; Joseph Laughnane, George Watson, Elizabeth Hogan, Cecilia Fallon, John Walsh, Earl Eaton.

### HAMILTON FIELD COMMITTEE

(In full charge of maintenance, improvement and use of Hamilton Field).

H. O. Jackson, Chairman, (Appointed by H. W. Management). Rudolph Lusignan, Richard Yates. (H. Club Representatives).

## Credit Union

The question is often asked, "Where did the Credit Union idea come from?"

The answer is contained in a brief chronological review of credit union development. In about the middle of the nineteenth century Raiffeisen and Schultze Delitzsch began their experimental work with co-operative banking in Germany. After a slow start the plan, in various forms, was rapidly adapted in various parts of the world until, in 1904 there were approximately 60,000 credit unions in the world with approximately 15,000,000 members. In about 1885 Alphonse Desiardins, of Levis, in the Province of Quebec, became interested and organized, after many years of study, his first La Caisse Populaire or Peoples' Bank in his home town in 1900. Prior to 1909 Edward A. Filene, a merchant of Boston, had become interested in the subject by contact with the work of the co-operative credit societies abroad and in that year he co-operated with the then Bank Commissioner of Massachusetts, Pierre Jay, to draft a law to authorize the organization of co-operative credit societies—for the first time in that draft designated as "credit unions"—in Massachusetts, which law was enacted by the legislature of that year. The law worked extremely well to promote thrift in the state and to eliminate usury of the creation of needed credit facilities for wage workers at low rates of interest. Other men became interested with Mr. Filene to give the law a greater effectiveness by spreading knowledge of it in the State and, after various experimental organizations had been tried for that purpose, the Massachusetts Credit Union Association, financed by these forward-looking men as a public service, was chartered by special act of the legislature to carry on this work. The Association continued until July, 1921, when there were enough credit unions in the state so that they were able to take over the development and propaganda work through a co-operative association of their own number—the Credit Union League. The Hamilton Credit Union is a member of this League.

From "The Bridge"

By ROY F. BERGENGREN.



## Signs of Spring

Frank Darling gambling about in front of the Main Office every noon—guess he is learning a few new steps for the minstrels. He can more than rattle the bones.

Frank Williams is assorting his flies and fishing tackle in preparation for the trout season.

Girls in the Stores Office are trying out new Spring cars. (Lelia has tried out several so far and reports the Chrysler the "THING." Mac likes Studebaker roadster—wonder why?)

Ruth McMaster is leading the fashions, but it took Aggie to get her started—Ivory Soap for an ear wash, Ruthie.

Edna Small was pleasantly surprised at a Miscellaneous shower given in her honor at the home of Mrs. Ray Plimpton the evening of March 3rd. Many beautiful gifts were received including silverware, linen, pictures, crockery and even a rolling pin. Games were played and solos were rendered by Lelia Guptill and Mrs. Ray Plimpton. Among the guests were Catherine Ryan, Mary Casey, Beatrice Smith, Agnes Prendergast, Olga Page, Agatha Kelly, Miriam Davis, Lelia Guptill, Mary A. Cuddihy, Betty Gardner, Edna Harwood, Isabel Templeman, Ada White, Clara White, Mary, Christine and Esther Snell, Vera Morin, Francis Smith, Mrs. Mary Campbell, Mrs. Gustave Peterson, Mrs. Dot Smith, Mrs. Frank Horr, Mrs. Ray Plimpton and Mrs. Smith.

Morning Glory plants for sale raised from tomato seeds—for further details see Ralph Arnold.

Ready sale for over-ripe fruit and vegetables—see Brogan.

Billie Proulx entertained several of his friends on the occasion of his birthday. A very pleasant evening was spent.

We've all heard about the "Girl You Can't Forget," but it is harder for Charlie Johnson to forget about a car load of wool in question. *Lot No. 35.*

My, how Mary Casey's face lights up when a certain Dodge Coupe stops in front of the office and she beholds "Prince Charming." (Howe) are you to-day? Gee, that gets 'um, Mary.

The office force has been sort of crippled this month. Amongst those ill with colds—Frank Williams, Frank Darling, Ham Smith, Billie Proulx, Edna Small, Mrs. Brennan and Eddie Guilbault.

Lelia came near drowning one of Badger's boarders when she over-turned the Old Oaken Bucket at a recent show. Said show is touring the country, taking in all the cities even Charlton City.

A shingle, a cigaret and knickers make a lot of difference, but they don't fool a mouse. (New Haven Register).

Ladies who went in bathing used to dress like Mother Hubbard. Now they dress like Mother Hubbard's cupboard. (Tampa Tribune).

We all welcome Ernest Fierro back with the old gang again. He has resumed his duties in the Purchasing Dept.

Eddie has his Red Bird flying around again, and any noon you can see him with another little bird nestled closely under his wing.

The Battle was preceded by the following conversation. Mike: "What were wheelbarrows invented for?" Isaac: "To teach de Irish to walk on dey hind legs." Not another word was said until the cops arrived.

We always knew that Pat Cuddihy of Department 8 was an authority on dogs and their ailments, but we did not know his knowledge extended to cats. It does, and if you have any doubts about it, ask Pat Kennedy,—Pat had a favorite cat, who a little while ago became very sick, so sick in fact, that Pat claims there was only a spark of one of its nine lives left, and a very faint spark at that, he hated to see his cat die, but all his efforts to save it seemed futile, just then he happened to remember Pat Cuddihy's skill with sick dogs, and wrapping the cat up very carefully, and placing him in a basket, he took him up to Pat's house, outside of a little head-scratching there was not much hesitation on the doctor's part, and getting busy he soon had the cat showing marked signs of improvement, and he is now "hitting on all nine,"—needless to say the cat's owner is mighty grateful.

## Dye House

The following were out sick during the month of March—John Mallinson, John Koproski, Frank Domian, John Monahan, Peter Derbyshire, Frank Renaud, and Cushing Gardner.

Wladyslaw Styperkowski our Globe Village tailor, has moved to Hamilton Street, in front of the Irish Church. We wish him success in his new store, he will sell you anything from a suit to a button.

Spring is with us, all you can hear is our amateur gardeners talking seeds, and bulbs.

"Rickey Morrissey is back at work again, after an attack of the very prevalent "grippe."

Paul H. Scharschmidt and family spent a week-end with relatives in Providence recently.

Napoleon Blair our genial elevator man celebrated his 79th birthday on April 1st, he has worked for the Company for 15 years. We wish him many more happy birthdays.

Our congratulations are offered to Tom Jowett also, whose birthday fell on March 16th, we have often wondered why some of his friends call him "Tay Pay";—too bad Tom, it was not a day later, you would have a legitimate excuse to celebrate the "seventeenth of Ould Ireland."

Joe Syriac is back with us again, after several weeks absence through illness, glad to see you back Joe.

Harry Widdowson visited the Automobile Show in Boston recently.

Arsene Raiche has severed his connection with the company, he has gone to Canada, where he intends to engage in the farming business, we wish him the best of luck in his new venture.

Italians are not the only people who like spaghetti, if you need proof just step into the dye house any noon time, and see John Marino feeding it to a crowd of French-Americans, out of his capacious dinner pail.

One day this winter a party of Hamilton folks on their way to Worcester passed none other than Mr. James Orr who was engaged in throwing a burlap bag under the wheels of the car of his friend who was trying to drive his car out of the ice pockets. They were in a great hurry to get going again and on inquiry latter it was found that they were going to see a Hockey game in Boston.

## Mr. Jagger

Mr. Hartwell Jagger who has been one of the Hamilton family for the past three years has resigned his position to accept another in Lawrence. Mr. Jagger while he was with us made a host of friends and we all wish him prosperity and happiness wherever he may go. The night that he left the weave room most of the employees in that department gathered after bell time to be present at the little send-off which they gave him. They gave him three rousing cheers and Mr. Birdsall in behalf of the help made a little speech and presented Mr. Jagger with a purse of gold.

## Burling Room

Miss Eva Rivers of the Burling Room went to Worcester March 3rd to see the musical comedy "Rose Marie."

Mrs. Emma Leonard visited in Boston over the week-end.

Among those out on account of sickness during the month are, Mrs. Emma Beaudreaux, Mrs. Nellie Murphy and Charles Thompson.

## Department 2

Aldea Berger and Jeannette Gauthier are back to work after being out sick.

Mary Ouelette has been out a few days on account of sickness in her family.

Aimee Girouard and Edwin Lofgren are weekly visitors in Oxford. The only reason they will give is that they play pool there.

We all extend our sympathy to Leo Loranger owing to the death of his father.

## Popular Superstitions

Two teaspoons accidentally placed in the same cup or saucer mean that a wedding will soon occur in the family.

If a candle burns blue a ghost is in the house.

If you comb your hair in the dark a disappointment is in store for you.

A dog baying at night portends sickness or death.

If you have a good dream while sleeping in a strange house it will come true if you tell it before breakfast.

To see your true love on St. Valentine's Day, you must keep your eyes closed till he comes, for if another man should cross your vision your true love is lost.

A crust of bread carried in the pocket signifies prosperity.

The tip of a calf's tongue also signifies wealth, if carried in the pocket.

A baby smiling in its sleep is talking with angels.

To yawn while saying your prayers is bad luck—start again.

A singing teakettle means contentment in the home.

A young man and a girl on a ladder together will surely be married.

When a housewife's keys become rusty, someone is saving money for her.

Shaking hands across a table means bad luck.

Owl's eggs placed in the cup of a drunkard will cure him of the liquor habit.

A garden planted on Good Friday will always grow well.

## Hello, There



This is one of our future soccer players taking his morning setting-up exercises which will develop him into a fast booter for the Hamilton. He is Eric Turner, Jr., son of Eric Turner who has come to work for us recently in the Slashing department and who is a Soccer football fan and a member of our Soccer committee. Baby Turner was the pride of Hamilton Lodge while his father and mother lived there until they got settled in their home on Proulx Avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Turner surely have a son to be proud of as everyone who knows him agrees.

## Around the Yard

Mr. Herbert Butterworth, Overseer of the Piping Department has returned to his work after a week's illness with the grippe.

Mr. R. Thibeault of Department No. 12 has been confined to his home for a week with a severe attack of the grippe, but is now able to be out again.

Mr. C. Morse of Department No. 12 was one of the judges at the Turkey Hill Horse Show held in Worcester two weeks ago.

Joseph Comeau of Dept. No. 12 who was taken suddenly ill a short time ago and was confined to bed for a week has recovered and is able to be at his work again.

Sickness hit Department No. 12 hard two weeks ago. One day there were seven employees out.

Anyone having second hand Fire Extinguishers for sale call on William Taylor of the Pipe Shop. The other night Bill's Radio burned up. Cause—"Spontaneous Combustion"—Bill said if he had had a Fire Extinguisher handy it would have saved him some money.

Miss Albina Peloquin of the Warper room was among the many Southbridge people to see Rose-Marie in Worcester recently.

## Card of Thanks

We, the undersigned, wish to thank all those who offered sympathy and friendship at the time of the illness and death of John Farquhar. We wish especially to thank those who contributed toward the beautiful floral tributes sent by departments.

W. R. Farquhar and family.



## Lower Mill News Items

The Methodist Bowling Team of the Church League won the Annual Cup for that league by taking three points from the Congo's on March 23rd.

William Kermack of the Top Mill was one of the Bowlers who brought home the "Bacon" for the Methodists'. Bill's only regret is that Frank Darling's team was not the team they had to beat for the final result, as nothing gives him so much satisfaction as to line up against Frank in a bowling match.

John Bowker of the Card Room has been traveling to Webster two or three times a week all winter so it looks as if we will be congratulating him soon.

Doctor Pugh is going to have some opposition in his business from latest reports from the Card Room, as Leon Blanchette has been having such good results in his Veterinary work lately, that he is seriously thinking of giving up his side line of Carpentering and taking up Veterinary work.

Rako Therodora the veteran of the Card Room was out sick for a few days but soon recovered under the careful nursing of Steve Joe.

Bill Kermack was one of the Hamiltonians who went to the recent Auto Show in Boston and Bill was very much interested in a car they called the "Honeymoon Special."

We met Wilfred Yates one Saturday recently up in the Globe, and Wilfred was all dolled up with auto grease. We asked him why he had such a serious look on his face and he replied, "I'm trying to get a kick out of my Rolls-Royce, and so far all I can get is a groan."

Emeline Vaillancourt has resigned from her work in the Combing Department due to sickness in her family.

Ora Lamontagne has joined the employees of the Top Mill.

William Buckingham of the Scouring Department went to Manchester, N. H., recently to attend the funeral of his aunt who resided there.

Victor Robichaud, Wilfred Maynard, Albert Bouvier, Elmira Vary, Catherine Gregoire and Rose Marchesseault are some of the Top Mill Employees who have been out sick recently.

There is some demand for Department league baseball this year at the Hamilton and as usual the Top Mill will be there strong if such a league is formed. In 1924 the Top Mill won the Department League race but we will have more opposition if a league is formed this year as the Maintenance would be able to put on a strong team as could also several other Departments.

Harry Benfield expects to make quite a hit at the Hamilton Club Minstrels with the song hit entitled "The Baby looks like Me."

"Thish match won't light."

"What's matter with it?"

"I dunno."

"Thas' funny. It lit all right a minute ago."

Teacher—"I have went. That's wrong isn't it?"

Pupil—"Yes, ma'am."

Teacher—"Why is it wrong?"

Pupil—"Because you ain't went yet."

## Sturbridge



The picture above represents one of our well-known Sturbridge residents making his way to work past the home of one of his neighbors. A pleasant experience for him every morning.

## Yes Sir!

In our peregrinations through the Mill, on St. Patrick's Day, it looked to us as if every one was wearing "a bit o' green" in the shape of either bow, neck-tie or hair ribbon, but it was not until we struck the Finishing Room that we saw the real Irish Free State colours, and it wasn't an Irishman was wearing them, it was Julie Domian who was sporting a large green, gold, and while rosette.

## Scotch Story

The story is told that when William Kermack the pin setter at the Lower Mill first came to Southbridge he came from Hudson, Mass. Now after Bill had been here a week or so he returned to Hudson to close up his business there. When seen on the streets in Hudson he was not recognized by his old friends there. Bill spoke to them and after telling them who he was wanted to know why they didn't recognize him. "Why," they said, "You've got a beard." "Well," said Bill, "I left my razor here in Hudson when I left."

## Central Mills

Bill Hutchinson, master mechanic at the Central Mills sure believes in living near the Mill. Bill has moved his family from Dresser Street to Windsor Court. Don't have to get up so early now, do you Bill?

Agnes Pion and Albina Ethier were out sick several days with an attack of the grippe.

There are few men in the mill that do as much drawing as Dutch Martel, for the simple reason he has to draw all the cotton samples from the cotton bales.

Florina Farrand is a new employee in the Doubling Department.

Mary Smolen, Bertha Craite and Frank Tick are new employees in the Spinning Room.

Andrew Miscook has moved his family from Worcester Street to an apartment on Morris Street

Yan Chwalek who fell while at work in the Twisting, causing him to break his shoulder bone is reported as much improved.

He, looking at her bag of Golf Sticks:  
"I see you have a new brassie."

She, blushing, "Where does it show?"

The wrong road never brings you to the right place.

How you save today determines how you will live tomorrow.

## Spinning News

Mrs. Alma Girouard was given a pleasant surprise in honor of her birthday Wednesday, March 24th.

You all know Herbert Peters,  
The boss in number 4  
Who wants to swap his Essex in  
And get a brand new Ford.

Henry Despres of No. 4 Spinning Room is now holding down the job as tape boy and 'Nick' Jacobbi has succeeded Henry Despres as boss doffer.

Alice Taylor knows a good car, but what a wonderful bus the Chrysler is.

Alice Lapenta of No. 4 Spinning Room has been out for sometime with a severe illness. We are pleased to say that Alice has joined the gang once more and is getting along nicely.

Arthur Whiteoak has an Overland,  
He took it out one day,  
It was so old it fell apart,  
And the wind blew the rest away.

We almost forgot our Angelo,  
He's quite a bowler you see,  
The other night he did his best  
And rolled us fifty-three.

Herbert Peters keeps right on with his fuel bill even in summer. He says it is coal in winter and gasoline in summer.

Howard Hackett is a good booster for the tobacco industry. If you don't think so, come and have a look at the lovely tool box Howard has and be convinced.

We have heard a lot about Champion bowlers but who says they can play pool? There is a trio in No. 5 Spinning Room that will be hard to beat. If anybody wants to know anything about them, Albert Masi will be willing to answer any question.

Evelyn Leblanc has left us and moved to Pawtucket.

Alma Pelletier of No. 4 Spinning Room was out a few days recently on account of the sudden death of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Joseph Thibeault. We extend our deepest sympathy.

Angelo Masi of the Spinning room was challenged one day this winter by T. Savary to go hunting and see who could bring home the biggest bag of rabbits. They started out about 8 o'clock one morning and before 10 o'clock Savary had bagged two. He gave one to Masi so that he wouldn't have to go home empty handed.

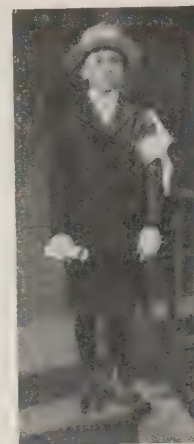
Miss Juillette Guivreumont of number four spinning room can be seen sitting in the window noon times watching for someone. Look out Juillette or you might miss him some time.

## AVERAGE HUSBANDS

"I heard there were a lot of bad men in this town," remarked the traveler who was touring the West.

"Well, mister," replied the native of the flourishing city of Holster, "it don't pay to listen to women's gossip."

## Oh Girls, What a Boy



Jimmy Tavernier, in his younger days. You wouldn't hardly know him now as one of the three musketeers of Spinning room number two. Pictures of the two other musketeers will soon be rounded up and G. L. and V. F. will get their share of publicity.

## Bowling

Department three (Spinning) have been doing some pretty good bowling this winter. Take a look at the score cards which show that they trimmed teams from the weave shop and from the finishing room.

Dept. 3: G. Lavallee, 240; Ang. Masi, 250; A. Whiteoak, 294; U. Lavallee, 272; Al. Masi, 291. Total 1351.

Finishing room: Yates, 254; Fallon, 240; Kershaw, 267; Loranger, 291; Thebeault, 254. Total 1297.

Dept. 3: Whiteoak, 277; Ang. Masi, 277; Lavallee, 342; Ramenelle 260; Al. Masi, 276; Total 1432.

Weave Shop: Girard 280; Winch, 257; Champigny, 322; Cournoyer, 278; Gaudette, 279; Total 1414.

## A Ford Tale

On the 13th of March, which some would call an unlucky day, our Ex-President of the Hamilton Club, could forecast a fine day for Hockey. So he along with two others, started off in great glee looking forward to a good game of Hockey, they went to Sturbridge, took the Charlton Road to Pistol Pond. When they arrived there the other members of the Hockey Party had not arrived, so John returned by way of the Town Hall Road, and met the Party on their way, not being able to turn his machine around, he went forward to the Town Hall, and seeing a nice sheet of ice, he thought he would show the Sturbridge people some stunts he had taught Lizzie. He was trying to do the twirling act when Lizzie got Dizzie and dropped through the ice down into the mud, where she danced the Charleston, and my how the mud did fly, his companions got out of the car and they had to lift her bodily out of the slough of despond. After that they went on their way rejoicing and of course the mud on their clothes dried and was brushed off after the game. It was Sturbridge mud, it was clean dirt anyway.

Jack and Jill went up the hill

To get some modern lickier.

Jack took two and he was through

And Jill died even quicker.

## SAFETY SIGNPOSTS

The wife of a careless man is almost a widow.

Don't look to others to think safety for you, do it yourself.

Safe conditions are good, but safe men are better.

Production depends on material, methods and men—especially safe men.—Selected.



## Finishing Room

George Egan of the Shear Room has left us, he is going to work for his father who is a Painting Contractor. George is one of the star athletes of the Purple A. C., playing full-back on the Football Team, centre on the Basketball Team, and covers the hot corner when not pitching on the Baseball Team, he has our good wishes in his new job.

The department was pretty hard hit with the "flu," or "grippe," which has been so prevalent lately, the following all being victims during the month of March: Bessie Hogan, Lizzie Herber, Mary Ryan, Lizzie Buggy, Evelyn Dufault, Emelia Cloutier, John Quirk, "Bobby" Kershaw, Julie Domian, Albert Potvin, George Egan and Nap Gaumound.

Corrine Pelletier has been out since March 1st, taking care of her mother who was seriously ill, but, who is, we are glad to say, improving gradually. Clarinda was also out for a week, when her mother was very low.

Mr. Durgin is now driving an Oldsmobile car, no difficulty in making the steepest of hills now, he says.

Mary Lachapelle never goes out at night now, but if you call up her house the line is always busy, have they got telephones in Brookfield? We hope he gets back soon, Mary.

Wilfred Gaumound was one of the Inspectors at the Annual Election in the Town Hall.

Walter Connors also, was a busy man on election day, looking after the transportation for several of the lucky candidates.

Albert Potvin has found a new use for the fire pails, he uses them for a shower bath. Being tall has its disadvantages sometimes, eh Albert?

Bessie Hogan went to see the play "The Student Prince" recently, in Worcester, and enjoyed it very much.

## Wool Room News

With the advent of Spring, Geodfry Oddy has returned to his summer residence on the banks of the Quaboag in Warren. Here he can sit on the Common of a pleasant day and listen to the birds sing while watching the Traffic on the Boston Post road hurry by.

## "Lak' at Skittles"

Didn't ever hear of a "lak' at skittles?" Although this is a common affair back in good old Yorkshire County it is also quite popular in it's American version during the noon hour at the Top Mill. This takes the place of cards or checkers which are enjoyed at this time by those of the Upper Mill. It is played with either six empty Copenhagen or Anchor Brand snuff boxes of which there always appears to be a plentiful supply. It is also optional as to whether the match be with single or double covered boxes. The idea of the game is to roll them on edge between two objects set at a specified distance which incidently here are a drain pipe and a brick wall. In keeping with it's origin at present all records are held by those who come from the old sod. Alf Emmott who holds the record on double covers of five out of six is also an all round champion, handily defeating all comers with the exception of old Bill Kermack, with whom the outcome is always in doubt. Joe Brown's record of four out of six in single covers still stands.

## Swift Justice



Twenty-two years ago when there was a weave room at the Upper Mill this picture was taken when a few of the "boys" got together. The boys in this group that are finishing off V. L'Heureux

are Frank Loranger, H. Cloutier and T. Morin. L'Heureux was saved so no one need fear that his ghost will appear around the Upper Mill.

Unfortunately due to the limited time in which to play and the lack, of more than one green which would meet all requirements demanded, the game has not expanded beyond the Top Mill.

Harry Benfield's favorite song since his girl went to live in Sandersdale is, "Oh! How I Miss You Tonight!"

## Baseball Dope

Bill Buckingham the resourceful Manager of the Top Mill baseball team has been busy lately sizing up new prospects and appraising older veterans with a more than critical eye. The Duke says now with the close of the Hot Stove League the men must get down to actual workout. Some of the older veterans will have to step lively if they wish to hold down their former berths as he is very optimistic over the possibilities of some of the new comers this year. Although John Conway was perfectly willing at one time to trade an old bat for Berry, Buck says it would now take a whole car load of bats or enough to keep him warm all Winter to make him even consider parting with the old reliable outfielder and pitcher. Also he is sure John Bowker will be no Dumb Dora back of the plate but will hold the slants of Berry and shoot the ball to second with the best of them. With George Lavallee the old first sacker in form and the remaining positions well taken care of, Jesse Blackburn must show he is no cripple to make the grade. Ralph Hammond is also out to make the team. We will remember his spectacular playing a few years ago. His picture with the old ball suit made entirely of Hamilton Fabrics hangs in Buck's office amidst all the Top Mill celebrities. In other words, the Top Mill Baseball Team will be ready when the season opens. Bring forward Brogans Pets or some such team and they will show you.

## Weave Room Items

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Duval entertained guests from Montreal, Canada recently.

Miss Sophie Plant attended the funeral of a relative in Worcester the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Carty spent the week-end in Webster.

Mr. Modest Supernant was confined at home the past week with a sore leg.

Miss Marie Cournoyer attended a dance held at Oxford recently.

Many employees of the Weave Room were confined at home the past days with severe attacks of the grippe. Those who were out on account of sickness were Elizabeth Perron, Mrs. Cardinal, Mary Duhamel, Lena Bates, Wilfred Berthiaume and Alcide Dupre.

Mr. Rudolph Lusignan and family enjoyed motor trips to Worcester and Webster the past few Sundays.

Mr. Wilfred Julian has purchased a fine pen of Buff Leghorn hens from Mr. Morin.

The following party motored to Boston in Mr. Toye's Overland Sedan to attend a show there recently: Mr. Toye, Alcide Dupre, Eugene Galipeau, John Winch and Leo Martin. They all reported a fine time.

"WHAT TIME is it?"

"Five-thirty."

"By George, I've got to rush out and meet my wife at four o'clock!"

The world gives its admiration not to those who do what nobody else attempts, but to those who do best what multitudes do well.—*Thomas Babbington Macaulay.*

All of us are fooled, more or less, but some insist upon proving it.

The time to prevent accidents is before they happen.

## Years Ago

Thomas Ryan has been a Machinist for the Hamilton Woolen Company for the last forty-three years and with the exception of a short period in his younger days when he had to learn how it was to work somewhere else he has been with the company for the last fifty-three years. He is still on the job and is one of the most valuable machinists in the shop. Very few jobs come along nowadays that Tom hasn't seen before. His reminiscences of the old days when he was a boy working here are very interesting. He remembers when a circus struck town, that in spite of the fact that as soon as the overseer heard of it, he rushed out and locked the gates, the boys managed to disappear from their work and the machines were soon forced to stop. When Mr. Ryan first went to work for the company there were six floors in the Big Mill building, since then the top floor has been taken off so that there are now only five floors in this building. When the boys in those days did not come in to work the overseer sent out to the swimming hole for them and when they were brought in he took them across his knee and after giving them a good spanking set them to work. Any mischief meant a good spanking across the boss's knee. Times have changed and while there are no longer any small children working in the mill, sometimes the bosses wish they could take some of the grown ups across their knee and vice versa.

## Warping Department

Mr. and Mrs. Armand Cournoyer have been visiting in Putnam, Conn.

Miss Rosilda Martin entertained the Pastime Club at her home on February 18th.

Miss Gertrude Proulx and Mildred Vilandre don't miss many of the good shows that come to Worcester. They saw the Student Prince recently.

## Department 4

A pretty wedding took place on Monday, April 5 at Notre Dame church when Mary Chapdelaine of the Twisting Department became the wife of Raymond Mountford of Dover, N. H. Ida and Edmund Chapdelaine acted as bridesmaid and best man respectively. The newly married couple are now on a wedding trip to Dover, N. H. and Portland, Me., after which they will reside at 47 Winter St. this town.

George Watson got lost in the Auto show at Boston last month. George says that he didn't, but all the other fellows with him say that he did.

TIT FOR TAT

"Say, young man," asked an old lady at the ticket-office, "what time does the next train pull in here, and how long does it stay?"

"From two to two-two" was the curt reply.

"Well I declare! Be you the whistle?"

Opportunity never thrusts itself upon one who is not prepared to entertain it.

There may be some substitute for good nature, but so far it has not been discovered.



## Hamilton Woolen Co. Fiskdale, Mass. Division



The entire personnel of our Fiskdale branch is shown right here in this picture. Not a very large branch but a hustling one. George Laughlin is the overseer and comes under Mr. Cornock's department. All the machinery at the Fiskdale plant is new and of the latest type. They do some very nice drawing and spinning in Fiskdale. Wouldn't you know that they would, judging from the picture?

### Try This

Here is a little exercise for your brain. It is a problem which can be done by simple arithmetic or can even be done in your head if you are clever enough. There are two kinds of people who have tried this problem, one kind is the kind who say "I give up" and the other kind is the kind that stick with it until they have solved it and then go about bragging about it.

I am twice as old as you were when I was as old as you are. When you are as old as I am, together we will be 63. What are our respective ages?

Oh yes, it can be done and there is no catch to it. The answer proves itself but the HAMILTONIAN will also print the answer next month.

### Hamilton Lodge

Why not try one of the dinners put on at the Lodge for .50 cents.

Maybe it is too far for some of us to walk home and we are obliged to carry a cold dinner which is not always appetizing and the Lodge is close by.

Try a warm dinner there and see how much better you feel in the afternoon. Good food, good service and friendly surroundings.

We have a vacant room at the present time on the third floor which is available for a gentleman.

### Safety

This month the HAMILTONIAN is going to say something about accidents just as it usually does but instead of mentioning the kind of accidents to avoid we have a little information about a good kind of accident, of the kind that we hope you will be fortunate enough to have happen to you.

Alexander Graham Bell heard a frog croak and it might be said to have been accidental that this suggested the idea for the telephone to him. A Bohemian glass cutter was at his work one day and a little hydro-fluoric acid fell on his glasses which were lying on the bench. When he picked up the glasses he was astonished to find that the glass had been permanently marked. Drawing figures on a sheet of glass with a sort of varnish the glass cutter then painted the outline with the acid. The varnish was then wiped off and the glass was beautifully etched. The glass cutter had discovered the process for etching glass and from then until this day the world has been richer for many beautiful and useful pieces of etched glassware. Some accidents may be turned to good advantage after all.

### SAFETY FIRST CHINESE STYLE

We read that in Shanghai professional writers are hired to warn pedestrians against jay walking. An example of their output runs:

"Now the swift motor car and the clanging street car are just like tigers, and if you do not take care to watch the policeman at the corner and obey his signals you will not live to grow up and acquire many sons, but will be killed, and your sons, too, so that your ancestral tablets will be unattended. The road is like a tiger's mouth; from its center keep away."

### Lodge Gossip

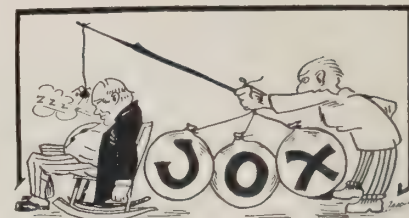
Mrs. Turner has notified Al Webber that she does not want her baby to learn 'low Dutch.' English is none too good for him. Al says, "I give up! For all the years that I was interpreter of the 40 European languages for the U. S. Courts in New York I never heard such lingo as that baby gets off."

Al Webber had a slight bilious attack on a recent Saturday but Doc Webster fixed him up again so he could get on the job Monday. Those bilious attacks seem to come week-ends to Al this Winter. But his many friends are right there ready to help him. He had many phone calls during his recent sick spell. His friend Moriarity was anxious to know if he was taking anything for it. He asked Al to hold the line but Al said he couldn't hold it all night, so they got sarcastic and told him to hang his shirt on it. We don't think that was right.

Al likes to go to Worcester Sundays again. He must have a girl there. Well boys will be boys—Mrs. Springer says she can't keep track of him.

Well! the cat came back! We mean Mrs. Dion's pet kitty. He has not been out a night since she scolded him for mixing up with that Jenny cat in the vicinity of the Lodge. He was too well trained for any such company she told him.

Mrs. Dion denies that she put all this news in the paper about the lodgers, and we believe her, but some of them say that the paper gave them no mention last time. And they say that isn't fair. But she tells them, why should it? Wake up and do something worth while if you want people to talk about you. "It pays to advertise." Well we want to advertise her good service and conduct of the Lodge; its patrons like to tell the world how good it is. Mr. Dion's share of the credit is hereby gladly given too.



### GANGWAY! GANGWAY! (From Toledo News-Bee)

Rats are afraid of oysters, lobsters and other sea animals, says a Toledo sea food dealer. An oyster has been known to clamp its shell on the foot or tail of a wharf rat and clatter away with the frightened rodent.

Women's styles may change, but their designs remain always the same.—Michigan Gargoyle

### KINDA NEAT, HUH?

When Paul started calling on Margie, she dropped the U and called him Pal. Not to be outdone, he dropped the IE and called her Marg. A little later, however, he lost the L and she the R. G.

### CAN YOU DO IT?

During his first few days in camp the young recruit was the victim of so many practical jokes that he doubted all men and their motives. One night while he was on guard, the tall figure of one of the officers loomed up in the darkness before him.

"Who goes there?" he challenged.

"Major Moses," replied the officer. The recruit scented a new joke.

"Glad to meet you, Moses," he said cheerfully. "Advance and give the ten commandments."

### A SPORT

Aunt Alice: "Do you say your prayers every night, Teddy?"

Ted: "Naw! I like to take a chance now and then."

### BARGAIN HUNTER

"Mister," said a small boy whose nose reached just above the edge of the counter, "do you sell radios?"

"Yes, my lad."

"Well, if I tell you who ain't got one will you gimme a loud speaker?"

### JUST SHOPPING

A man walks into a barber shop,

The barber says: "Hello."

The customer climbs into a chair

And murmurs: "Hair cut, Joe."

But when a woman comes along

The barber brings a chart

That shows a dozen cuts of bobs

And shingles that are smart.

"A semi-shingle, Miss?" he asks,

"Or boyish bob today?"

A bon-ton, may I ask again,

What will you have, I pray?"

But she remains with lips quite tight

And says: "Have you more charts?"

Then after ten more minutes' quest

She climbs down and departs.

—James A. Sanaker.

### AMBIGUOUS

Professor Biology: "Where do bugs go in winter?"

Absent-minded student: "Search me."



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## Announcement

### To Our Employees:

It was with sincere regret that the Management was obliged to put the Mill on a shortened schedule of operation beginning April 26th. After two years of poor business we had hoped that the year 1926 would usher in a new era of prosperity for ourselves and for the wool manufacturing business in general. It soon became apparent, however, that conditions had not materially changed, and when the trade refused to place advance orders for goods we were forced to curtail our activities.

It is not necessary to look far for reasons. We manufacture wool into cloth for women's wear and the fashions of the day do not favor our products. We have gotten out new styles intended to appeal to the prevailing fancy and firmly believe that eventually they will sell. As the trade are withholding their orders, buying later and later each year, there is nothing for us to do but slow up production and wait for them to act. The best of merchandise cannot be sold unless there is a market, and so far this year a market for wool dress goods has not existed.

In the meantime our selling agents are active and alert and business will be turned our way if it can be found.

E. BENJAMIN ARMSTRONG.

## Wool Room

John Rowley has invested in a "Chevrolet Roadster" with which he hopes to rip up some of the new State Roads around this locality.

John prefers "Roadsters" to any other style of a car as he doesn't have to take any more than one of his lady friends at a time and any way he has only one free arm to work with when he is driving.

John's many friends would like to know the last resting place of his former "Twin Six" so they could add to their collection of souvenirs or at least buy a wreath to lay on the mound where it reposes.

William Hefner is using his spare weeks to advantage this summer by tilling the soil on a farm at Pond Factory where at one time the Hamilton Woolen operated a small yarn mill. Here he has not only the opportunity to plant potatoes but also to gather in fish (of an evening) from the waters of the pond.

Noe Trembly has put to flight all rumors and speculations as to the state of his health by returning to work. He is quite recovered from his recent illness.

Austin Chadwick will make a determined effort to better his last season's record from one of the Company's garden lots.

Sugden Busfield thinks the salt air will improve his already rugged health. He has serious intentions of taking to the briny deep for a trip to England, where he will visit his father and brothers. Passport pictures have been taken and all the latest shipping news available, collected. We can all sympathize with Joe Firth because of this, as for the time being it will not be continually brought to his attention that

the garage he built last summer is not in line with street or house.

Jesse Blackburn, Raymond and Wilfred Yates and John Rowley visited the recent International Textile Exposition. They feel certain that in walking about the Common they attracted no undue attention from the discriminating people of Boston. This was somewhat disappointing as it is not everyone who can flaunt the distinction of being apprehended as suspicious characters.

## Warping

Miss Irene Mathieu of the Warping Department visited in Worcester recently.

Among those who have been out of town recently for Holidays have been: Rosilda Martin, who visited in Lynn and Laurenda Peloquin, who was in Leominster.

The Warping Department folks wonder what it is that keeps George out so late on Saturday nights.

On April 23rd Gertrude Proulx put her own private Daylight Saving Schedule to work. She wanted to be ahead of the rest of the folks so she came to work that morning at 8 o'clock instead of seven.

## Central Mills

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Desourdy are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter, Eva Doris. Mr. Desourdy is a Twister Tender at the Central Mills.

Bertha Huard is out on account of the illness of her mother.

Leo Gamache who was employed here as a Second Hand has accepted a position in Brunswick, Maine.

George Rogler spent last week in New York.

Mrs. Aurora Boiteau, Doubler Tender has returned to her work after being out sick for several weeks, with the gripe.

Among those who attend the Textile Show at Boston were Mr. Bingham and Mr. Miscook.

We extend our sympathy to Oscar Briere of the Spinning Room in the death of his mother, Mrs. Delia Briere.

Aurora Ethier and Anna Ethier were out a few days recently on account of the death of their sister.

Albina Ethier and Rose Bounette have been transferred to Department 4A.

Walter Berek has returned from his home in R. I. after a week's visit.

## Spinning

Mr. Charles Cornock and Mrs. Cornock have recently returned from a few weeks vacation in Bermuda. Mr. Cornock who was in rather poor health after passing through a long siege of the gripe is much improved.

Alfred Berthiaume is now the new elevator operator of Department 2.

A man dropped a quarter one day and it rolled out of sight, "Where could it've gone to?" said his friend. "Gone to the devil I guess" said the man. "I always thought you could make a quarter go a long way."

## Fiskdale

Beatrice Caron and Margaret Tierney spent the last week of April with friends in Pawtucket. When it came time to retire the first evening, Margaret said to "Bee," how do you put that thing out, pointing to the gas jet? Not being any wiser than Margaret, "Bee" looked at the thing as suspicious as perch do at Joe Brunnell's Brookfield worms. Eventually Beatrice plucked up enough courage to grasp the gas jet in both hands and give it a twist; out went the light with a pop and "Bee" let go so quick she doesn't know yet whether it was hot or cold. However the humor in this little story would be missing but for the arrival of someone who found where the smell of gas was coming from in time to give both another opportunity to visit the Empire in Providence again at some future date.

Raymond Biron is all smiles since he graduated into the six cylinder class.

## Burling

Charles Thompson was out recently on account of the death of his mother who died suddenly at her home on the West Dudley road.

Mrs. Mamie Denny has returned to work after a long illness. We are all glad to see her back, and feeling better.

Mrs. Lillian Jordan, Miss Mary Sheridan, Mr. Fred Webster were out sick with the gripe during the month.

Miss Jessie Simpson who has been out of work for the past four weeks with a fractured wrist is on the gain.

## Office

Edna Small of the Cost Department is leaving us May 15th to be married to Walter Kremindahl of Springfield.

Edna has been in our employ 13 years, first working in the Finishing Room under Mr. Peter Clarke, from there she was transferred to the Burling Room, working under Mr. Payne and Mr. Wood. After working a few years in the Burling Room, she was transferred to the Cost Department. Walter came to Southbridge in October 1919, and worked in our Planning Department under Mr. Sickman until he resigned his position here for one in Springfield, where he is now working. The date of the wedding has not yet been announced, but after the ceremony the couple will make a trip to Maine visiting several places. On their return, they will reside in West Springfield. We don't like to lose you, Edna, but we wish you both all the happiness in the world.

Brogan is some tailor—but the buttons are on the other side now.

Mary Shea of Department 20 is helping out in the Stores Office.

Mr. Joseph McCue of Haverhill, Mass. spent the 18th and 19th as the guest of Miss Mary Cuddihy. (What's that about Vacation Pals, May?)

## Weave Room

Miss Irene Lavallee entertained guests from Millbury recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lupa are being congratulated on the birth of a baby girl.

Mr. Bazile Laporte, loom fixer, has concluded his duties in Department 6 due to ill health.

Mr. Peter Kovaleski was a member of the K. of C. entertainment committee which conducted an entertainment by the Holy Cross Glee Club in the Town Hall recently.

Mr. Narcisse Girard is training his pacer John L. B. daily for the coming short-circuit races to be held at Sturbridge.

Mr. Wilfred Julian and wife are now residing in an apartment on Pleasant Street.

Mr. Wm. Toye spent the weekend in Lowell and Lawrence recently.

Mr. Raymond Laflamme reports a fine hatch of chickens from his incubator. He got 173 chicks.

Mr. Ernest McDonald was out several days with an attack of influenza.

After being defeated in a pool match Emile Berthiaume now listens in on Leo Martin's radio to get the expert advice from a prominent cue artist on how to shoot pool. We wish you luck, Emile.

Mr. Arthur Robichaud has accepted a position in Webster.

Mr. Wilfred Reeves has purchased a fine pedigree German Shepherd dog.

Miss Elizabeth Perron was out a day to attend the funeral of Mrs. Beaudry.

Mr. F. Laflamme has purchased a fine farm on Brookfield road. The farm is all stocked.

Mr. J. Carty has accepted a position in a dye works in Webster.

Mrs. Margaret Curboy is back amongst us again as a weaver. We are glad to have you back, Margaret.

Miss Elizabeth Perron and Miss Agnes Lockhart were on a pleasure trip to Willamantic recently.

## Lower Mill

Alfred Berry of the Top Mill has resigned his position and accepted one with the New England Baking Company in Springfield. Berry who is one of the best outfielders around this part of the state has been a player on our ball team for the past five years and will be missed by the fans with whom he was a favorite as many a game for the Hamilton was saved by his brilliant fielding.

Francis Greenwood better known as "Cap" has also secured a position in Springfield.

Henry Cira is back in the Combing Department after a short layoff. Henry pitched some good games for our ball team last summer and with the experience he has acquired should be better than ever this year.

Arthur Whiteoak is booked to play with Whitinsville in the Kiwanis Cup Contest which starts on May 8th.



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## NEWS GATHERERS

Every employee of the Hamilton Woolen Company

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## Rayon

(Continued)

Last month's article on the manufacture of Rayon described the Nitrocellulose process and the Cupramonium process. The Nitrocellulose method is that used by the Tubize Company, large manufacturers in this country while the Cupramonium process is the one used by some foreign manufacturers but which is very little used in America.

The process by which about 85% of the world's production of Rayon is made is known as the Viscose Process and unlike the other three methods wood pulp is used mostly for the raw cellulose instead of cotton. The Viscose Co., The DuPont Co. and the Industrial Fibre Co., are very large manufacturers by this system in the United States. The bleached sulphite pulp is first subjected to a bath of weak caustic alkali which is later drawn off and the cellulose then exposed to the action of carbon disulphide; this leaves the cellulose in a gelatinous form which is soluble in water. The solution is forced through the minute holes in the spinneret and as it emerges on the opposite side it is again formed into a solid by the action of a bath of sulphuric acid and various salts that have been found to be effective. The filaments thus formed are first purified to remove sulphur compounds and then are spun together to make the Rayon yarn.

Viscose rayons belong to the regenerated cellulose group of rayons as do the Nitrocellulose and Cupramonium rayons, these are all quite different from the Cellulose acetate rayons which are made by the Cellulose acetate process. This process is quite similar to the Nitrocellulose although by using acetic acid and acetic anhydride instead of Sulphuric and Nitric acids a different product is formed. The properties of the cellulose acetate rayons are quite different from the others, the greatest difference being in their dyeing properties. They are somewhat stronger than the other rayons and this process is used in making some of the very finest yarns.

Continuous research goes on to the end of eliminating the obvious defects of the fibre as it is now produced. It is fair to presume that ultimate success will crown these efforts. As Rayon is now produced, it still has a wide horizon of usefulness yet untouched.

Stuttering Mose: I-just think, t-that b-b-beautiful b-b-butterfly once c-came from a cocoon.

Rastus: Goo Lord, ise guess we is the ancestors of everything.—*Cornell Widow.*

## Thinking

Unfortunately we all have our foolish moments and as it is a Universal trait it cannot be considered a criminal one, and none of us need be humiliated at the erection of a Safety device which will help us to avoid being injured. We cannot "think" all the time, if we could, and did, no one would ever do anything so foolish as to allow themselves to be injured. The more we "think", however, the less we will be injured and it is this fact that has proven the worth of Safety work. Accidents have become less frequent at the Hamilton Woolen Company because we are thinking more of Safety. What causes a great many accidents may be answered by saying, "Without thinking he or she did so and so." Just that little moment of absent-mindedness that comes to all of us is the little moment when the accident occurs. It follows that the more we think of Safety the fewer absent-minded moments we will spend when in dangerous positions. Give considerable thought to the occupations that occupy most of your time and pick out the opportunities that most often present themselves for an accident to occur. Then keep these things in mind that you may never be injured while not "thinking." It is very unlikely that you will become injured while "thinking."

## Spin and Twist

If you can't find anything to do during the week that the mill is shut down, just apply to Jack Farquhar for a job in his coal mine at Chester, Pa.

Teresena Leombruno of No. 3 Spinning room has accepted a position at Southbridge Printing Company.

We all extend our sympathy to Antoinette and Cecile Bellerose owing to the death of their mother.

Miss Lea Collette spent a week visiting relatives in Three Rivers.

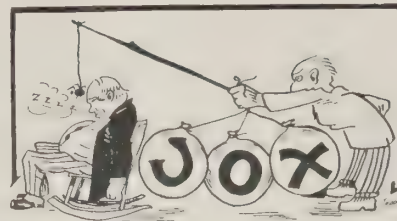
Mrs. Eva Gaumont, Aldea Antaya and Lucia Guevremont were transferred from the spinning room to the twisting.

Miss Grace Capistran has left us and moved to St. Robert, Canada.

Miss Emerence Leblanc spent the week of April 24th visiting her sister in Holyoke.

Stella Kovaleski of No. 3 spinning room is confined at home with a severe cold. We all wish her a speedy recovery.

Theodore Savary recently purchased a secondhand bicycle frame and borrowed the wheels from George Lavallee. That is economy, he said.



## TAKING NO CHANCES

"I've always heard a lot of stories about the Scotch not wanting to part with their money," remarked an undertaker, "but I never believed them till Sandy McKirk decided he was going to die and came to me to make arrangements."

"What was there about that to change your mind?" asked a friend.

"Sandy insisted on a shroud with a pocket in it."

## HEIGHT OF POLITENESS

A modest young lady at the dinner table, desiring the leg of a chicken, said: "I'll take the part which ought to be dressed in bloomers."

A young man opposite her remarked: "I'll take the part which ought to wear the camisole."

## ONE PARROT LESS

An old lady kept a parrot which was always swearing. She could keep up with this till Saturday, but on Sunday she kept a cover over the cage—removing it on Monday morning. This prevented the parrot from swearing on Sunday.

One Monday afternoon she saw her minister coming toward the house; so she again placed the cover over the cage. As the reverend gentleman was about to step into the parlor, the parrot remarked:

"This has been a damn short week."

—Clipped

How much did Philadelphia—PA.?

How much does Columbus—O.?

How many eggs did New Orleans—LA.?

What grass did Joplin—MO.?

We call Minneapolis—MINN.

Why not Annapolis—ANN.?

If you can't tell the reason why I'll bet Topeka—KAN.

## RIGHT

If the woman who dresses quite proper Doesn't soon find something to stop her

From wearing men's clothes,

The Lord only knows

The kids won't know mommer from popper.

"When did the robbery occur?" the cross-examining lawyer asked the witness.

"I think—" he began.

"We don't care what you think—we want to know what you know," remarked the lawyer.

"Well, I may as well get off the stand, then," said the witness. "I can't talk without thinking. I'm no lawyer."

"Mother," said Johnny, "is it correct to say you water a horse when he's thirsty?"

"Yes, that's right."

"Then," said the boy, picking up a saucer, I'm going out to milk the cat."

Best Man: "Wasn't it annoying the way that baby cried all during the ceremony?"

Maid of Honor: "It was dreadful. When I am married I shall have engraved on the invitations 'no babies expected.'"

—Jack-o-Lantern

## Hamilton Credit Union

On April 24th, 1926, a bill was passed by the Massachusetts Legislature, and signed by the Governor, creating new laws regulating the work of Credit Unions in this state. As far as we are concerned, the new laws are beneficial rather than harmful, and should be the means of stimulating our growth. The principal points of difference between the old law and the new are:

Section 1. We cannot use the word "Bank."

Section 4. There are in this state a considerable number of organizations operating in a similar manner to Credit Unions, but operating without a charter from the state; the new law compels these organizations to incorporate, or go out of business.

Section 7. By-laws. This section describes what the by-laws shall provide for, and determines the activities of the Credit Union. It means that our by-laws will have to be completely revised in accordance with sample by-laws to be submitted by the Bank Commissioner.

Section 10. This section definitely states the maximum number of shares which any one member may hold, the number is 400, at a par value of \$5.00 each, the limit on deposits being set at \$2,000.00.

Sections 14 and 15. This is quite a change from the old law, in that the only officers to be elected at the Annual Meeting are the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors to elect from their own number a president, one or more vice-presidents, treasurer, clerk, a credit committee and an auditing committee, the auditing committee takes the place of the old supervisory committee, and gives to the Board of Directors full control of the Credit Union.

Section 19. Guaranty Fund. Under the old law 20% of the gross income of the Credit Union was to be added to the Guaranty Fund before a dividend could be declared, and this ratio was to continue until the Guaranty Fund equaled the total assets. The new law provides that not less than 10% of the gross income be added and only up to a point where the Guaranty Fund equals 15% of the total assets. Until such time as the Guaranty Fund equals 15% of the total assets, dividends are limited to 8% of fully paid up shares outstanding; after this has been reached there is no limit.

Section 24. Loans. This section states definitely just what a Credit Union can do in (a) Personal Loans secured by the note of the borrower, and (b) loans secured by mortgages of real estate situated within the Commonwealth.

Personal loans are divided into classes, the amount of the loan determines as to which class it belongs.

Dividends. At the annual meeting, the members may elect to pay dividends semi-annually, provided that the by-laws are amended so that a meeting can be held in May of each year, and at this meeting the members can decide whether or not to pay a dividend. The new law goes into effect around August 31, 1926.

As soon as we receive a sample copy of the new by-laws, there will be held a special meeting of the members to revise our by-laws, and elect a new Board of Directors. Notice of this meeting will be posted on the bulletin-boards, and every member should make an effort to be present.

J. H. WILCOCK, Treasurer.





We do not have many serious accidents in our plant. Safety guards and appliances and vigilant foremen help to prevent them so that we have comparatively few. There are many small wounds, however, which may become very serious because of the real and ever present danger of infection or blood-poison. No one can guard against this danger as well or easily as the persons injured, themselves. Generally speaking our experience has been the larger the wound the less danger of infection. Why? Because a large or severe wound is taken seriously by the worker; he comes to the dispensary immediately and regularly. A slight scratch or cut is regarded as not worthy of attention; and it is usually these cases which are neglected and are the cause of countless mutilations, amputations and even deaths.

Every break in the skin is an avenue for the germs causing blood-poisoning to enter. They are everywhere, on machinery, floors, pencils, etc., and in great hordes although we cannot see them. They require warmth, moisture and darkness to increase and destroy and where is there a more ideal place than in a wound?

The least cut or abrasion is a menace to you. Come to the dispensary and have it treated, no matter if you never have had an infection. There is always a first time. We wash the wound and apply an antiseptic to kill or retard germs already present; we cover the area with aseptic gauze to keep out germs which may be present on any article not made aseptic and we warn you not to wet the dressing because a wet dressing allows germs to work through. If you cannot come immediately and infection has already set in, come and we will treat it as experience has shown us is the safest, wisest way. Remember small injuries in the long run are just as menacing as large ones. Better to make dozens of trips to the dispensary for small wounds than to suffer, lose time and perhaps a finger or your life.

Southbridge remembered the Spanish American War Veterans recently when a Memorial Tree was planted in the lawn of the High School. The tree was planted on April 21st the anniversary of the declaration of war on Spain. The first sod was turned by Dorothy Farquhar, daughter of William Farquhar, who is employed in the dye house and who is a veteran of the Spanish War and present Commander of the Spanish War Veterans Post here. A bottle containing the names of those present at the ceremony and other interesting data was placed in the ground at the base of the tree.

The Dodge truck that the company has gotten so much good use out of has been overhauled and has a new coat of paint. It is all ready to start on a few more thousands of miles of good service.

James Simpson of the carpenter shop has been drawn as a Juror.

## A Pioneer



This is one of the first automobile trucks that the Company ever owned. Not the first as there was a truck of the same make but with a stake body purchased a few months before this one. Melvin Smith who is shown at the wheel was in charge of the Garage at that time and Jack Ryan was his assistant. This truck carried three tons of coal and delivered from 35 to 42 tons a day from the main coal pile near the depot to the various boiler rooms around the mill. Every shovel full of these 35 to 42 tons of coal was shoveled into the truck by two men. Two men that had this job for a long time were Julius Gaumond and Joe Grandmaison. Joe now works at the Power House and Julius was until a short while ago in the Yard Department.

## Dye House

John Mallinson was among those who were unfortunate enough to be sick this spring. He is much improved at present however we are glad to learn.

His friends in the warp dye house sympathize with Joe Either whose sister died recently.

Walter Feiler who for quite a while was employed in the dye house and who made many friends there was a visitor here a few weeks ago. He is now employed by a mill in Passaic, N. J.

Mr. Simalas who works in the dye house has bought a farm and we all hope that he has some good crops and is prosperous.

Henry Fustel of the dye house chemical laboratory was among those who attended the Textile Exposition in Boston recently.

William Farquhar in charge of the dye kettle control board at the dye house has presented to the Jacob Edwards Library his collection of relics which he collected while in the United States Army. This collection includes many strange and interesting things picked up in foreign countries.

## Carpenter Shop

Joseph Jolly of the carpenter shop now runs a small shop of his own in his spare time. Joe makes window screens, screen doors and the like. Anyone wishing to have any small jobs done can give Joe a call.

Charles Granby is seeing quite a bit of the country in his Ford lately.

George Farland, boss painter, is getting warmed up for the baseball season. He holds down the first sack for the Sturbridge team once in a while and will be a valuable man in the Twilight League.

Alfred Dumas and Fred Spinney took a trip to Springfield not long ago to look over some property that Alfred has up that way. They are thinking of building in Long Meadow.

## Finishing Room

Corrine Pelletier is back with us again, her mother, we are glad to hear has almost completely recovered.

Alice Marchessault is back at work again after more than 2 weeks absence through illness.

"Billy" Peters has been transferred to this department from the Dye House.

Mary Mandeville attended the funeral of a relative on April 5th.

Lizzie Herber, Mary Marchessault, John Brennan, Joe Morrissey, Albert Potvin and Jack Walsh were confined to their homes with the "flu" during the month of April.

Gerard Perrault of the Shear Room has left us; he has gone to work in Bristol, R. I.

We were very sorry to hear of the death of Konstanti Domian, who passed away on April 19th, after a short illness with pneumonia. We offer our heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved wife and family. He was a member of the Hamilton Club.

Mrs. Catherine Fitzpatrick, and Mrs. Eileen Connors are temporarily employed on the card orders.

Mary Lachapelle visited with friends in Andover on Patriots Day.

Charlie Curboy was out on April 6th attending the wedding of his nephew, James Curboy.

Mary E. Ryan, who was in St. Vincent's Hospital, Worcester, for 3 weeks for a minor operation, is back home again, where she is rapidly regaining her strength. We hope to have her back with us very soon. Quite a number of her friends from the department visited her while she was in the hospital, and also sent her a great many beautiful flowers.

Raymond Yates' brother, Colin was taken to a Springfield hospital on April 1st where he underwent a successful operation for appendicitis. He is around, looking quite fit again.

We sincerely hope Jennie Lofgren has not been bitten by the "tsetse fly." We are told she went to bed on Tuesday noon recently, and did not wake up until Wednesday morning; it is possible she would have slept much longer had she not accidentally fallen out of bed.

Nolia Proulx attended the funeral of her cousin Mrs. Briere on May 3rd.

We hope "Bidge" is not forgetting to water that lily.

Ida Lockhart, and Jean Malo of Department 20 have been helping out on card orders.

Bessie Hogan went to Worcester recently to see "Kid Boots" and enjoyed it very much.

We were sorry to hear of the death of Mary Lachapelle's uncle Francis Lachapelle who died on March 27th.

Isabel Templeman, Jennie Lofgren, Dora Pelletier, Elaine Farquhar, Katherine Moriarty and Clarinda Pelletier enjoyed a "Chop-suey" feed in one of the Chinese Restaurants in Worcester recently. We are told that the girls got into quite an argument with one of the waiters, but, what it was about we have been unable to find out.

We were sorry to hear of the death of Ida Lockhart's aunt Mrs. William Lockhart a former resident of this town, which occurred in Geneva, N. Y. The body was brought here for burial.

Radio Fan: "I picked up W G Y last night."

Auto Fan: "Huh, would't she give you her full name?"

## Baseball

The Hamilton baseball season will open May 24th when the first game in the twilight league is scheduled to be played. There will be four teams in the league. The Lower Mill, Wm. Buckingham, Manager; The Middle Mill, E. Ravanelle, Manager; The Upper Mill, Walter Connors, Manager; and The Office and Maintenance, Stanley Knowles, Manager. The schedule has been posted around the mill. Games will be played at Hamilton Field and will start at 5.15 p. m. All games will be five inning games except in case of a tie score. Ira Orr is Chairman of the Baseball Committee and urges everyone who wants to get into a little friendly ball game once in a while to come out for these teams. No great skill or experience will be required to play with these teams, the idea being to provide sport for all those who want to get outdoors and enjoy the game.

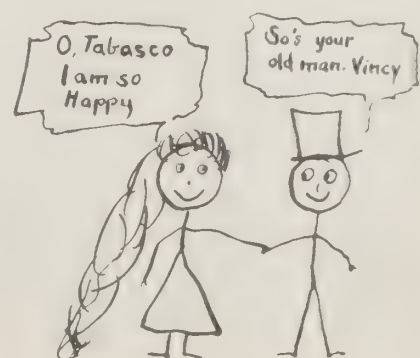
Emerging from the cabin of one of the transatlantic liners, docked at a Brooklyn pier, a passenger with a large satchel was observed by the argus-eyed customs inspector. The passenger was preemptorily commanded to open his bag. Reluctantly obeying he released a large and lusty black cat, which made nimble tracks for the cabin, wildly pursued by its embarrassed owner. A few moments later the passenger reappeared with the same bag. The amused inspector expressed the hope as the young man passed him that he would arrive unmolested at his destination with his charge. He did. But his charge this time was a half dozen bottles of Scotch.

## Wedded

All Hamiltonians will probably be interested to know that Miss Mae Nicosia of Arroy, Browne & Company's New York Office was married on April 25th to Mr. Thomas Parisi. The bride and groom took a trip to the Falls.

They got off to a good start, for one of their friends misinterpreted the order about throwing an old shoe at them, and let go with a horse shoe. It just missed crowning the groom, but he took it in good part saying he felt like a "king" anyhow. "Suppose it had hit you" asked the friend. "Oh!" replied the happy groom, "I would just imagine that a year had passed by and the rolling pin had been getting in its fine work."

However all those connected with the New York Office wish them a safe and prosperous journey on the troubled sea of matrimony.





## Americanization Graduation



The Graduating Class and Teachers

The eighth year of Americanization classes carried on by this company was brought to a successful close Tuesday evening, May 4th, when the Graduation Exercises were held in the Recreation Rooms. More than 200 men, women and children, including students of the various classes, were present and thoroughly enjoyed the program and social held after the exercises.

Representatives of the plant as well as

of the town school department were present and congratulated the students upon their successful completion of their respective courses.

Forty students were awarded certificates issued by the Department of Education, Division of University Extension, of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and three male members of the classes were awarded Citizenship certificates for passing successfully the thirty lessons

preparatory to applying for American citizenship.

The exercises were followed by the exhibiting of several reels of motion pictures and dancing. Refreshments were served during the evening. The program included several musical selections by the Polish Orchestra, recently organized, also the Glee Club under the direction of Mrs. Marcy, gave a number of selections all of which were given in a most pleasing manner.

A pleasing feature of the exercises was the little Playlet entitled "The Flag and Its Spirit" given by the children of the students and other employees at the plant. A good deal of credit is due the children for their fine appearance and the almost perfect rendition of the playlet.

Several brief addresses on what the state stands for were given by students of the classes.

Mr. Armstrong complimented the students upon the fine progress which they had attained as a result of attendance at the classes and also upon the keen interest shown in the work and the regularity of attendance.

The Hamilton Woolen School Board desires to thank Miss Margaret Bytler and her corps of assistants, the Misses Meagher, Desmarais, Chamberlain and Prendergast, for the many kindnesses bestowed upon the classes this term and all the years that classes have been maintained at the plant.

The program for the evening was as follows:

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| 1. Selection                                    | Orchestra              |
| 2. Medley                                       | Glee Club              |
| 3. Address                                      | Miss Antonia Leblanc   |
| 4. Reading, "Citizenship"                       | Mr. Joseph Kozyra      |
| 5. Selection                                    | Orchestra              |
| 6. Reading (Rights Granted by the Constitution) | Mr. John Stota         |
| 7. Reading, "True Patriotism"                   | Mr. Wadislaws Saletnik |

8. Vocal Selection, "Sometime"

Mr. Stergio Vangel

9. Presentation of Certificates

Mr. Benj. Armstrong

10. Presentation of Citizenship Certificates

Mr. F. E. Corbin

11. Addresses

12. Playlet, "The Flag and Its Spirit"

Moving Pictures Refreshments

Dancing

### The Boys

Dressed in the latest spring styles, seventy-five derbies, plus fours and a "well I guess" or "let's go" spirit, six of our well-known Globe uplifters crowded into the now famous old Collegiate and headed for Boston with well intended ideas of obtaining first hand information on working conditions in and about that city. Inquiries here and there along the way brought nothing favorable and finally reaching the center of affairs which of course was the goal of their endeavors, they disembarked to gravitate about and give the place a general once over. Wandering aimlessly about, brought hither and yon by sundry points of interest, they soon attracted the notice of a guardian of the law who hastily approached with a stern demeanor, being much perturbed by such an influx of strangers within the limits of his surveillance. Accosting them he demanded full particulars of their present status and wishing to make a further impression of invested authority carefully herded them into a secluded spot where a more private interview could be held. It appears the discussions were on various subjects with much information being absorbed on both sides. Finally convinced that about all he could get was an offered package of Camels and fondly hoping his wise counsels had been fully appreciated, he forewith withdrew; from whence also in due time, after calling on the Governor, the old Collegiate was steamed up and pointed westward; the closing incident of a perfect day.

Not to be outdone by other members of the Wool Room and to oblige an old friend William Escott now owns an Essex Coach.

Stewart Tully wanted Mr. Herbert Peters to exchange automobiles with him but Mr. Peters thinks that he will stick to the Essex for a while yet although of course the Collegiate Ford is a very nice car.

Jimmy Tarvenier was seen not long ago with a pink necktie on which he claimed was selected for him by Lauretta Garceau.

Joseph McNally, Percy Whiteoak, Joseph Laughnane, Hugh O'Donnell, Joe Brown, Arthur Whiteoak, Jack Hampson and Ernest Hampson attended the State Cup Soccer Final Game at Worcester between the Whittals and Fore River on April 17th. The game was not as good as the teams are capable of playing as a high cold wind blew continually across the field, hurting the team play of both teams. Fore River won the contest by a 2 to 1 score after a hard battle.

Have you seen the swing that Narcisse Cardin has made for his family and has in his yard? Mr. Cardin is the pattern maker at the carpenter shop and can make pretty near anything in the carpentering line. He says the new swing rides better than an auto.

Harry Knowles was a recent visitor to Springfield and Hartford.



A Scene from "The Flag and Its Spirit."



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## Horses, Horses



Who can guess who the present Selectman is on the right of this picture? Of course it is Bill Laughnane in the days when he wore an iron hat and the beautiful watch fob. The others in the picture are from left to right, after Mr. Laughnane is John Cochrane, now dead, then James Murphy, Henry Dumas and Charles Gaucher. Charles Gaucher has also passed on. The two big black horses were the property of the company and were a pair that everyone who worked with them were proud of. The picture was taken in front of the barn on Mill Street and in those days the taking of a picture was quite an event and everyone concerned ordered a copy of the print if it came out good.

## This Golf Thing

Globe village has fallen. Out of the ether, wave after wave has "engulfed" our Hamiltonians. With real Black Magic, appear plus fours, clubs of every shape and hue and a glorious array of everything "golfish."

Ananias himself has nothing on our army of good-natured story tellers when it comes to scores. One of the boys even went so far as to say that he drove one so well that centrifugal force etc., etc., tore the ball apart in mid-air and half of it landed in the cup, therefore he made the hole in  $\frac{1}{2}$  a stroke. But why go on. Anywhere around the plant you can hear the answer to the question "Why is golf popular with me?"

Echo answers thusly:

Cornock: "I'm putting on weight."

Watson: "I'm taking off weight."

Birdsall: "I'm just right. It keeps me in trim."

Ham Smith: "I like to drive 'em."

O'Donnell: "Another week and I'll twist 'em and wind 'em around the all trees for a birdie."

P. Whiteoak: (After missing a stroke) "So this is sock-er."

R. McMaster: "It's being done, you know."

Jack Swift: "I may be rapid but I'm no eagle."

Dick Yates and Wallace McLean: "We start soon to top and slash 'em with the rest of the turf tearers." Mac adds: "The game cannot be of Scotch origin. You lose too many balls."

Mac, you're wrong. That's where Scotch high balls get the high.

A. B. Cooke and Pete Grant: "36 par.....56....BAH (sort of sheepish)"

Ira Orr: "The little bug has bitten me. I'm batting for .300."

The latest as we go to press is that Del Badger has made a bet that he can drive that darned pill from Ten Acre right into Hank's smokestack and Hank has taken up the bet. Watch the papers for the Crysler drive.

While Mr. and Mrs. Dion who are in charge of the Hamilton Lodge took a trip to Newark N. J., Mr. and Mrs. Eric Turner did the honors there. The boarders say that the service was never better and that somebody in the family is a good cook. You can't beat the Hamilton Lodge for a good place to eat or live at any time.

"Well, good-by, dear!" said Mr. Trueboy to his beloved spouse. "I must go and dictate those letters—twenty-six of them—so you mustn't expect me home very early."

"All right," was the response. "But I wish you wouldn't work so hard."

Half an hour later Mr. Trueboy entered his club and sat down, with three others, at a card table.

"Just a moment, you fellows, before the first hand is dealt. I've got to keep my word to my wife. One of you just take down what I dictate: A b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z! There! Those letters are off my mind!"

## Local Items

The Editor wishes to express his thanks to those friends who sympathized with him when he was suffering with inventive mania. It was ring or bust but it finally rang, Ding, Ding.

Miss Esther Barnes is temporarily employed in the Engineering and Cost departments. She works mornings in the Engineering and afternoons in the Cost department. Miss Barnes has been teaching and continuing her studies at Becker's Business College in Worcester until this summer.

Raymond Goodell does not lose any of his ardor as a Woodcrafter. He is on the trout streams and at Cedar Lake during all his off time. He will soon know the woods around these parts pretty well.

There was only one lost time accident in the mill last month and what do you suppose that was? A fellow ran a screw driver into the palm of his hand. You see what a simple matter it is to get hurt if you don't watch out for such things. He lost quite a little time and pay besides having his hand bandaged up for a long time and the pain he suffered.

Dan Russel of the Finishing Room promoted one of the best and cleanest boxing exhibitions which have ever been held in town recently. The attendance was rather poor and was not worthy of the exhibition that was presented but everyone that did attend were very well pleased with the entertainment and hope to see another one of Dan's shows soon.

The new concrete paving on Mill Street is now completed and certainly is a wonderful improvement that was badly needed.

## Auto Races



This little fellow heard about Mr. Badger's car and now he wants to prove just who has the best car in Southbridge. He is Raymond Collette, almost 3 years old. His sister, Lea Collette is a twister and works for Mr. O'Donnell.

An old negro, when brought before the judge, was asked if he were the defendant.

Pointing to his attorney, he said, "Dah de defen'ant. I'se the gent'man what stole de chickens."

## Know 'em?



Most of us will recognize Clement Langevin in this picture, he has been employed in the Twisting room and Weave room for the past two years. The young ladies standing behind him are Miss Julien and Miss Herbert, both of the Winding room. Clem is quite a boy and must have gotten a big thrill to have the girls pose for a picture with him to say nothing of the thrill that will result from having his picture in the paper. The girls will have to admit that he is a good fellow to have around the department, he can always take a joke.

## Gardens Started

All of the ninety Garden Lots that were plowed and harrowed have been taken and all have been planted. The fertilizer furnished for each garden is of exceptionally good quality and should bring good products.

The season this year is very late but perhaps what time we lost in getting planted will be made up at the end of the season when it is time to harvest. We sincerely hope that all the garden lots will have shown good results at the end of the season. To the amateur gardener it means a lot of good experience in working a garden as well as to an old-timer who has been in the game a long time.

It is surprising to see the amount of products raised by some of the gardeners on a lot 50 by 50 feet. All the space is used. Early vegetables being planted near the late ones so that they will be ready to harvest even before the late ones are out of ground.

It is hoped by the Garden Committee that this year will be a banner year in produce raised.

George Dion, Manager of Hamilton Lodge has equipped his Studebaker car with an accordion whistle, Toot, Toot.

Mr. Alcide Dupre has gone to Canada for his annual vacation.

A cheery disposition is like a balloon tire. The rougher the road, the more you need it.



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## NEWS GATHERERS

Every employee of the Hamilton Woolen Company

FREE TO EMPLOYEES

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JUNE, 1926

## A Card

To the Generous and Sympathizing Public of Globe Village and Vicinity: I think it my duty in this public manner to express my heartfelt gratitude for the sympathy manifested toward me and my children on the occasion of our bereavement by the hand of death. While my feelings of sorrow are strong because of a vacant chair left by my wife I am thankful for the sympathy and kindnesses which you have shown to me and my family. Receive, dear friends and neighbors, my hearts best thanks.

ALBERT LAVALLEE JR.

## Lower Mill

Richard Yates and family motored to Springfield May 30th to visit friends in that city.

Thomas Firth was one of the employed boys delegates to the brotherhood convention at Cape Cod on May 29, 30 and 31. The local young men were the delegates sent by the Y. M. C. A. of this town.

Grace Blute has resigned her position at the Top Mill and accepted one with the Southbridge Laundry Company.

Robert Kershaw Sr., has been very busy for the past few weeks renovating his home on High Street. So to verify some rumors we have heard we asked "Bob" if he was contemplating becoming a benedict again. "Bob" only smiled and would not commit himself, but we noticed he blushed a little when we put the question. We hope if he is serious that he will give us a little warning so we can save up a little for a nice present.

The Southbridge Soccer Team managed by J. F. McNally and composed of W. A. A. and Hamilton players defeated the strong Draper team of Hopedale in Hopedale on May 15th by a score 6 to 5.

William Kermack and family motored to Ocean Beach near New London Memorial Day to enjoy the salt sea breezes and when they arrived everybody seemed to be fishing off the pier so Bill got some bait and a line and then proceeded to do likewise. When asked what kind of luck he had "Bill" replied "I caught quite a few deep sea perch" and when asked how big they were "Bill" replied, "about three inches long." There was a general laugh when the size of the perch was disclosed and somebody asked Bill if it wasn't a butterfly net he used instead of a hook and line.

## TEACHING THEM TO DRIVE

## The Sweetheart

To learn to drive the auto, dear,  
First put the lever into gear,  
Then push your left foot in like this.  
That's fine. Now teacher gets a kiss.

Now step upon the starter, so;  
That makes the perverse engine go.  
Now let your left foot back like this.  
Good. Teacher gets another kiss.

Upon the gas you now must step,  
That fills the engine full of pep.  
That's great. You are a clever miss.  
Here teacher gets another kiss.

Now change to second. Now to high.  
You do that just as well as I.  
Now stop the car right here, and then  
We'll do the lesson once again.

## The Wife

First, see your car is out of gear.  
How? By this gear-shift lever here.  
How can you tell? Why, feel it. See  
The thing is simple as can be.

Now step on that to make it start.  
Great Scott! You'll tear it all apart  
If you don't take your foot off quick  
The second that it gives a kick.

Now throw your clutch. For goodness' sake!  
Your clutch! Your clutch! No, not your brake!  
Why? 'Cause I tell you to, that's why.  
There now, you needn't start to cry.

Now pull this lever into low,  
Step on the gas and start off slow.  
Look out! You almost hit the fence!  
Here, let me drive! You've got no sense!

Moral: Girls, learn to drive before you get married.

B. C. A. News.

Customer—I ordered a dozen apples from you today and you only sent ten.  
Fruit Merchant—Well, lady, two of them were so bad that I took the liberty of throwing them away.

## A LOAD OFF THEIR MINDS

It was on their honeymoon. "Have all your bachelor friends congratulated you?" asked the bride, as she cuddled closer.  
"Some," assented Newlywed. "And some of them thanked me."

## Finishing Dept.

John Quirk is at the St. Vincent's Hospital in Worcester under observation we hope it is nothing serious, and that he will soon be back with us again.

Mrs. Evelyn Massman, and Mrs. Cecelia Miller were temporarily employed during the week of May 17th.

We were sorry to lose Jennie Lofgren, she left to take a position in the Bancroft Hotel, Worcester.

Nellie Brennan, Mary Lachapelle and Mary Coughlin visited Riverside Park, Springfield, recently. Mary Coughlin says no more Scenic Railways for her she can get thrills enough riding in a Ford Coupe. Don't think that the girls were up there alone; no indeed they were accompanied by three pretty husky specimens of the opposite sex.

Speaking of Ford Coupes Mary Lachapelle says others can have their Cadillacs, Packards or whatever their fancy runs too, but the "little old Liz" is good enough for her.

Mrs. Louise Gaumound, Mrs. Myra Knowles, Mrs. Margaret Shields, Mrs. Mary Jacques, Mrs. Grace Trahan, Palma Gauthier, Catherine Reilly and Bridget Domian are employed temporarily.

We are glad to say that Mary Ryan is quite herself again, but intends to rest up awhile before coming back to work.

## Dye House

His fellow workers in the dye house congratulate Mr. Neveau on the arrival of a fine baby girl May 31st. Both mother and child are doing nicely and the baby's name is Muriel Loraine.

Paul Scharschmidt and his son Eugene accompanied by the old reliable fisherman T. P. Jowett went fishing recently and report catching a good mess. We will have to withdraw all our knocks on T. P.'s fishing and as a hoodoo because he caught plenty fish this time and has witnesses to vouch for it.

Ricky Morrissey was visiting at the Lead Mine pond during the Decoration Day holidays and from all accounts he must be pretty good at gathering eggs. A farmer in that neighborhood gave him permission to gather a few eggs which Ricky did without any trouble but on the way back to camp with them he scrambled them. He didn't scramble them in the pan but fell on them in the road.

We are very sorry to hear of the death of Frank Domian's boy.

An important addition to the equipment in the dye house is a new German Crabb. This is a machine for crabbing cloth which gives the cloth a different finish from that which our regular crabbs turn out.

The dye house is pleased to see John Mallinso back at work after having been laid up for a little while.

Peter Crate who worked in the dye house has got a new job in Springfield.

T. P. Jowett of the Warp dye house attended the Worsted Overseers Meeting and Clam bake at Rocky Point recently.

## ONE TOO MANY

She: "Buy a seal for the benefit of the Red Cross?"

He: "Very worthy organization; but I cannot afford a seal."

"Buy just one seal, please."

"If I bought it I couldn't feed it."

## Not a Can Opener

I used to have what purported to be a can opener. It was guaranteed also to perform twenty-five additional useful operations. Possibly it could. I never had the patience or the ingenuity to find out. I know it wouldn't open a can! It is altogether human to make preposterous claims for a device which looks handy and arouses our interest and enthusiasm; to claim for some institution resulting benefits which load said institution up with more responsibilities than it can comfortably carry. Better by far to do a few things and to do them fairly well than to attempt so many things that nothing is accomplished.

So with the credit union. It is no short cut to the millennium. There are a few simple and orderly functions which the credit union can perform. Credit unions are an effective thrift agency, particularly as a device to make individual saving a habit. I think it can be said without any reservations whatever that the credit union is the best agency as yet devised to care for the short-term credit problem of the wage-worker at legitimate rates of interest.

A man asked me the other day what the credit union could do for the brilliant member of his staff who holds his job because of his brilliancy but borrows from everyone who will lend and never repays. The answer is—"nothing, unless." I mean by "nothing, unless"—just this: the credit union will not grant credit to a man who does not deserve credit unless the credit union can bring about in that man such a change of attitude towards his personal obligations that he will be worthy of credit. It often happens that just that sort of man joins a credit union and, for the first time in his life, saves a bit of money. This same man learns after a while that his money is safe because the credit committee loans it only to members who will repay their loans, that his savings earn dividends because the borrowers pay their interest making the dividends possible.

## Machine Shop

Mr. Collins, officer of the Law, at the Middle Mill gate while performing his duties saw a small bird fall to the ground from its nest in a tree near the office and went to pick it up, but two large black birds came flying around his head and drove him away. He notified his friend Jimmy Knowles of the belt shop and together they both went to pick up the bird. They were very brave and meant to master the situation but were again driven back. Bill Arnold happened along about this time and with a couple of shushes, shooed the big birds away and rescued the small bird from its perilous position in the road. Officer Collins and Officer Knowles resumed their duties thinking that their failure had not been seen.

Fred Farrow is thinking seriously of taking up golf. He has quite a waist line that could be reduced, he thinks.

Nap Raiche of the Machine shop has decided to take up walking for exercise and his health in general.

Tom Ryan of the Machine shop is a real baseball fan. He attends most of our twilight games and also takes in most of the Blackstone Valley League games.



## Boston

Robert Storer who is a member of the force in the Boston office of the Hamilton Woolen Co. and Arthur Cooke who is the Hamilton Woolen Company department manager for Amory, Browne & Co., Selling Agents, were a part of the cast in an amateur play presented by the Unity Club of the Waltham Unitarian Church recently. The name of the play was "The Whole Town's Talking." Those who saw the play are loud in its praise and say that the Hamilton Woolen Company was very worthily represented.

## Families

Those of us who remember Irene Proulx of the Engineering department who is now Mrs. Frank Kirby will be glad to learn that she is now the mother of a baby boy which has been named Francis Edward.

Raymond Plimpton of the Engineering department now has a daughter, Miss Norma Plimpton, born on April 24th. Mrs. Plimpton was Esther Samuelson who used to work in the Main office and who has many friends here. Raymond is very proud of the new member of his family and he has a right to be.

## Tennis

The Hamilton Club Tennis Courts are now getting a lot of use. New nets, and new tapes have placed them in fine condition and the tennis fans are making the most of their opportunity to get in a lot of good games. Frank Williams is Chairman of the Tennis Committee this year and warns everyone that is interested in a Tennis Tournament that they had better get in a little practice now as the Tournament will be arranged before long and the competition is going to be strong.

## Just Items

The Garage men have been putting the companies autos in good shape while the mill has been shut down and the Dodge touring car is the latest to be completely overhauled. The Studebaker sedan has just had a new coat of paint and looks and runs like a new car.

A representative of the Factory Mutual Fire Insurance Co. recently visited us and gave all our Fire Protection equipment a thorough inspection. All the fire pumps were started and hose laid to test their efficiency. The hydrants, valves and other equipment was also tested. In case of fire now we can feel sure that all our apparatus will work as it should.

The coal crane which handles the coal in the Power House yard was completely overhauled a week ago. This steam crane which unloads all the cars of coal with its clam shell bucket as well as moving all the coal into the coal hopper was in need of extensive repairs so was taken down into the Machine shop yard where it was completely dismantled and overhauled.

Edward Sibley a former Massachusetts State Senator who now works in the Lens Grinding department at the A. O. Co. is one of the regular fans at our Twilight baseball games. He says that Hamilton Field is in such a beautiful location that he knows of no more pleasant way to spend an evening than in watching a friendly amateur game here.

## Electricians

Cyril Laliberte who has been in the Electrical department has left us and is working for the Fore River Co. We wish him good luck.

Ralph Arnold is the champion tomato plant grower of the mill and the members of the electrical department expect to get all the tomatoes they want this year free.

Armand Anger of the Electrical department is operating a moving picture machine for the Blanchard Brothers during his spare time.

Bill Arnold has the golf game on his mind as well as the rest of the Hamiltonians and is practicing putting in his back yard so that he can trim Bill Dennison in their first match. He is ready to challenge Fred Farrow any time.

Joe and John of the Electrical department are still trying to hold the lucky numbers.

The generator men, Joe Potvin, Joe Rapanault and Joe Bonnette, in other words the three Joes of the Water Power department are working at full capacity just now as there is plenty of water in the reservoirs.

Andrew Simpson is quite an artist at climbing poles, he can make the old timers sit up and take notice.

Bill Dennison after one appearance at the Roseland Golf links has ordered an outfit. He says he doesn't see how they keep the balls out of the woods but he is going to learn.

## Yard Dept.

Oscar Pion of the Yard department has purchased a horse from Springfield parties and claims that the horse has speed. At present he is training the horse at the Sturbridge Fair Grounds. The horse is the son of Peter the Great who had a mark of 2.09 1/4. Oscar has had several offers for the horse but is not ready to sell yet.

Roul Thebeault and party motored to Springfield on Memorial day and did some sight seeing.

James Simpson of the Carpenter shop who was doing duty in Worcester as a Juror has returned to work.

Clarence Morse, Overseer of the Yard department and Edward Stave local agent for the New Haven R. R. were in New Haven recently on business.

## Did You Hear That —

John Curboy was seen trying to trap flying fish during the holiday week end.

Earl Lawton and Adolph Flagg are Machine shop folks who have a garden this year.

Del Raich and Fred Gaumond are still in the junk business and are thinking of forming a partnership.

Perey Chase has been painting cottages at Cedar Lake recently.

Tom Cronin one of our oldest employees is always glad to get back to his bench after the weeks lay off.

Sugden Busfield has sailed on the Steamship Franconia for England to visit his father in Bradford who is now ill. Although undecided as to the future it is almost certain he will eventually return. Given half a chance to make a decent living in this country, it is a rare occurrence when an Englishman returns to the old country.

## Spinning, Drawing and Twisting

Gert Loranger of No. 2 Spinning room rode out into the country with one or two of her friends on a recent Sunday night. The same Sunday night Gert and her friends took a six mile walk by moonlight.

Stewart Tully who was Section Hand for Mr. Peters in No. 4 Spinning room has left us to accept a position at the Southbridge Printing Co.

Herbert Peters attended the semi-annual meeting of the National Association of Woolen and Worsted Overseers held recently at Rocky Point.

Irene Salva and Alice Richards spent the holidays at Hartford and New Bedford.

Alice Richards of Mr. Cornock's office was one of the members of the Southbridge Girls' Club who recently went to Washington.

Raoul Girard who has worked here a number of years has removed to Bristol, Conn., where he is now employed.

Flora Brunell, Josephine French and Matilda Livernois have been out a few months owing to sickness. We are glad they are all well and able to work again.

Leo Loranger of Department 2 has moved from Main Street back to his farm on the old Brookfield Road, Sturbridge.

Joe Firth ought to move his front number plate.

Juliette Lepain of Department 4 is beginning to step out some, even though he went only as far as Webster.

Miss Annie Guilbault of No. 2 Spinning room was married on May 24, 1926 to Mr. Philias Duquette of this town. Mr. and Mrs. Duquette enjoyed an extensive honeymoon in Rhode Island. They made their home at 58 Pine Street.

Employees of the Spinning Department extend the wishes for a happy future for this young couple.

The employees of Spin Room No. 2 sympathize with Alex Lavallee who lost his mother by death on May 29.

## Wool Room

Bill Benson deciding that he had spent full enough of his years and strength in pushing his boat about Cedar Pond with oars has now equipped it with an Evenrude Motor. This not only enables him to cover the surface more rapidly, whereby adding more scope to his knowledge of the pond, but also aids in selecting the type of companions he wishes to cruise with.

Michael Ahearn has given up house-keeping and auctioned off all his household effects and now resides with his two children at the Hamilton Lodge. Bill Escott was clerk of affairs at the auction and carried off the honors of the position in fine style.

Unable to devote all their time to manufacturing the majority of wool room workers are showing what can be done with a garden. May their efforts be crowned with success.

George Gaetjens of the Top Mill Power House, with a party of friends spent the holiday week-end on a motor trip to Boston and Revere Beach. George took advantage of the seaside trip by polishing off a bushel of clams.

## Weave Room

Mr. Gauthier has accepted a position on the steam box in this Department.

Miss Eva Lariviere attended the Gibraltar Minstrel Show held at Charlton recently.

Mr. William Toye has moved to Sayles Street.

The Maintenance Baseball team, managed by Jimmy Knowles defeated the Top Mill by the score of 4 to 1. Outside of an argument which nearly cost the Umpire's life the game was closely played and many fine stops and hits were made by both teams.

The middle mill managed by Elzear Ravenelle defeated the Upper Mill by the overwhelming score of 13 to 7 although in justice to the Upper Mill they played without the services of two of their star players. The features of the game were the heavy hitting of Leduc and fielding of Connors of the Upper Mill and the heavy hitting of all the middle mill team.

The following parties were initiated into the Ancient Order of Waterfalls, a society organized in the Warp Tying Room recently: Ira Orr, M. Perron, A. Bachand, Albert Proulx, and Wilfred Julian. George Patenaude, President, presided. Was it a success???? Ask Ira, he'll tell you.

The friends of Mr. Bert Lavallee wish to express their heartfelt sympathy in his recent bereavement by the death of his wife after a long illness.

The Upper Mill and Maintenance teams, bitter rivals are preparing for their first clash of the present baseball season, June 29th. Come on you rooters get together and cheer your favorite team to victory.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Boska are being congratulated on the birth of a fine baby girl.

Miss Josephine Galipeau was the week-end guest of her brother in Charlton recently.

Mr. Arthur Bachand attended the Holy Cross-Georgetown baseball game.

Mr. Israel Boudriault has left the Weave Room to accept a position as a barber in Ludlow.

Mr. Albert Proulx was a bearer at the funeral of his cousin, Mr. Proulx.

Mr. Wilfred Berthiaume was on the American Checker Team which played in the championship matches in Canada.

Mr. Eugene Galipeau is playing in the fast Riverside baseball nine.

Mr. Edmund Duval has accepted a position in Bristol, Conn.

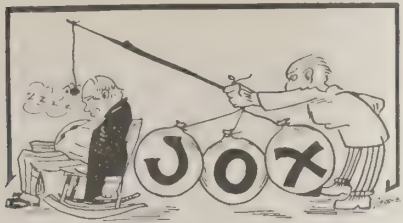
## New Shoes

To be in style at the Top Mill at present one must own a pair of Swift's Preferred Model shoes. These may be obtained from a local shoe store of which Bill Buckingham is advance advertising agent. The price per pair is fifty cents. The left shoe is invariably of a lighter shade than the right but the outstanding feature of this style are the rakish and pointed toes which always precede their wearers around a street corner by at least three inches.

Miss Nellie Kershaw of Providence, R. I., visited her father Robert Kershaw of High Street recently.

Cecelia Fallon attended the wedding of Cecelia Morin to Mr. John Quinn on Monday June 7th.





## COURTING DANGER

"How'd they come to bounce the fire chief?" asked Abe Hinkle, who had been out of town for a couple of days.

"He took too many dad-blamed risks," answered Joe Mudge. "Why, he even wore his celluloid collar to fires."

## EXPLANATIONS

The youngster to the pharmacy  
Proceeds with every mark of glee;  
To purchase castor oil he goes,  
And it is strange you may suppose  
He should be gay, but listen, Mister—  
The oil is for his little sister.

Thomas J. Murray.

Last year I asked my best girl to marry me, but she refused. I got even with her by marrying her mother. Then my father married the girl. Now what am I to myself? When I married the girl's mother the girl became my daughter and when my father married my daughter, she became my mother. WHO AM I? My mother's mother, which is my wife, must be my grandmother, and I being my grandmother's husband, then am I my own grandfather?

## OH, WHAT'S THE USE—

He—"I just got a set of balloon tires."

She (eagerly)—"Why, George, I didn't know you had a balloon."—Motor.

Rastus: "Boy! When Ah kisses ma wife she jes closes her eyes so tight."

Sambo (with enthusiasm): "Ah'll say she do."

Rastus: "What!"

Sambo (not so enthusiastic): "Ah means, do she?"

Johnny (who is in the habit of telling his mother large tales): "Oh, mother, go look at the wild lion in our yard."

Mother: "Why Johnny, that is a dog, not a lion, that has been clipped for the summer. Now you go right up stairs and pray to God and ask him to forgive you for the untruth you told me."

Johnny came down stairs very soon, with hat and coat on.

Mother: "Did you pray to God, and what did He say?"

Johnny: "Oh, He told me to put on my hat and coat and go out and play. He thought it was a lion Himself."

Mr. Cohen: "Jakey, I take you to my place und teach you the pizness."

Jakey: "Ullright."

## AT THE OFFICE

Mr. Cohen: "Jakey, climb up there und took down dot file." (Which is on top shelf.) "Throw it down now, at's the boy. Now jump down, I ketch you."

Jakey: "All right, fodder" (and Jakey jumps as father walks away—Jakey falls and hurts himself).

Mr. Cohen: "See dot; dot's the first lesson; you kent efen trust your own fodder in pizness."

## Planting Pines

The Forestry Department of the Hamilton Woolen Company was created in May, 1923 when over 30,000 red pine seedlings, 2 years old, were purchased. These seedlings were so small at that time that the whole lot of 30,000 were easily carried in a small Ford truck.

A nursery bed was prepared on the Company's land on South Street, back of the ball field, and the plants were set out here to grow for a year. This location apparently was a suitable one and the plants hardy, for during the year that they were there they grew well.

The next year, May 1924, about 30 acres along the south bank of the Globe Pond, between it and the so-called 10 Acre Lot, was prepared, and 20,000 of the plants set out. The remainder of the plants were re-set in the nursery, the 10,000 plants which were left taking about as much room as the original 30,000.

During May 1925, 7 acres along the Hamilton Reservoir in Holland were cleared and nearly 5000 pines were set out there. The remainder of the plants were again respaced in the nursery on South Street.

This year, 1926, a small section of a lot on the Eastford Road was cleared about 5 acres, and over 3000 pines set out there. This lot was pretty well covered with hard wood, and over a hundred cords were cut. This wood is now piled up near the lot and will be trucked to the rear of the Power House, where it will be sawed into stove lengths and sold to the Hamilton Woolen employees at a moderate price.

This Spring the season has been very dry so that it was impossible to find an opportunity to burn the brush cut on this lot, without danger of starting a forest fire. It was therefore necessary to carry off the brush, put it in piles outside the lot, and sometime during a "wet spell" it will be burned. The method used in clearing off this brush was rather interesting. The brush was laid out in piles, tied with a rope once around it, and dragged off by the old black horse.

The lot is situated very pleasantly on a hill with a beautiful view of Southbridge in the distance. We are afraid, though, that the men working there did not always appreciate the beauty of the scenery, for the flies at times were ferocious. Some of the men showed evidences of being good picking for their hands and faces were swollen to unusual proportions. Mr. W. C. Lewis furnished some wonderful "Fly Oil" which helped, but didn't prove to be a perfect protection.

In addition to the pines set out on the Eastford Road this year, about 1 acre, taking a thousand pines was set out at the west side of the ball field.

Nearly 200 plants were left over and were set out in the nursery again, to be used later, probably around the mill property for ornamentation.

The plants when set out in 1923 were four or five inches tall, and now are eighteen or twenty inches tall, and so far are very healthy appearing plants. The greatest danger is probably fire, and precautions are taken where possible to prevent trespassing on the lots where the pines have been set out.

## NOT STUCK UP

Lady (visiting in slums): "How low!"  
Inebriate in Gutter: "H'lo ya'shelf."

## Upper Mill News

Mr. Durgin must have been quite a climber in his younger days judging by the way he shinned up to the top of that 90 foot spruce tree in his yard, to set up his new aerial, we hope the results are satisfactory.

Isabel Templeman left us on June 4th, she is going to work in one of the large hotels in Atlantic City during the summer months.

Mary Coughlin enjoyed an automobile trip to New York on May 29th, she says the city flappers have nothing on the Southbridge ones.

Stanley Stepleski spent the week of May 24th with friends in Ludlow.

Tim Moriarty is learning the contracting business during the weeks the Mill is shut down.

Jack Walsh attended the wedding of Cecelia Morrin on June 7th.

Mrs. Eileen Connors entertained her cousin Keith Tattan of Brookline over Memorial Day. Miss Tattan is a member of the "Little Jesse James" stock company which just completed a tour of the Southern States.

Albert Potvin and Louis Gagnon are spending all their spare time on the tennis courts, we expect they will be issuing a doubles challenge pretty soon.

Elaine Farquhars mother is in St. Vincent's Hospital, Worcester, we hope she will soon be home again.

Walter Connors entertained his brother Joe over Memorial Day, Joe who is well known in town as an athlete, is now in the Army, and is stationed at Fort Hamilton, Brooklyn, he was accompanied by his "buddy" George Thomas of Richmond, Virginia.

Lizzie Herber and Mrs. Catherine Fitzpatrick enjoyed an automobile trip to Springfield recently.

Jean Lange was on the Reception Committee appointed by the Redmen on the occasion of the old Deerfield Conference held in town on June 4th, 5th and 6th.

Corrine and Clarinda Pelletier entertained their sister Mrs. Henry Dame of East Jaffrey, N. H., over Memorial Day.

Joe Morrissey spent a few days in Bristol, Conn., recently.

Alice Marchessault and Catherine Fitzpatrick are partners in a gardening business they are now taking orders for pumpkins.

Josephine Dumas and Lottie Murphy spent a week-end at Nantasket recently.

Arthur Leduc is spending all his spare time on his cousins farm, he likes the business, and may go into it himself.

Bessie and Sadie Hogan had as visitors over Memorial Day, their aunt Mrs. Hannah Hayes, their cousin Eddie Hayes, and his wife and two children, from Norwalk, Conn.

Our sincerest sympathy is offered to Wilfred Paulhus on the death of his mother, who passed away on June 4th.

Raymond Yates left us on June 4th to work for the American Optical Company, we are very sorry to lose Raymond, and wish him luck.

Fuller Jackson of the Engineering department has been suffering considerably lately from his teeth but has at last found a solution for his trouble. Fuller says "Store teeth for me."

Mr. Armstrong visited in Maine during the Decoration day holidays.

Mr. Varnum is opening his summer camp in New Hampshire.

## Burling Room

Mrs. Jessie Marsh formerly of the Burling Room has returned, after spending several months in Columbus, Ohio.

Mrs. Mary Dennison spent the holidays at her home in Milford.

Mrs. Nellie Blanchette is entertaining Mrs. Mary Regan of Pawtucket.

Leon Chouinard is a newcomer in Department 7.

Jesse Blackburn was entertaining a young lady from Northampton during the holiday weekend and the boys all say Jesse never left her side to even eat while she was here.

"Bob" Kershaw was the recipient of a pretty Maybasket from his friends in the Machine Shop the other day and it was filled with candy but the best part of it was that it was "Bob's" candy they put into it.



Punctured wounds are among the most dangerous wounds one can receive. They are caused by nails, wires, or any pointed instrument which can penetrate the flesh. In every wound there is danger of sepsis or blood-poisoning, but in wounds of this nature there is another terrible, but fortunately, rare, danger. That is tetanus, sometimes called lockjaw. It is characterized by more or less persistent spasms of the muscles, particularly of the lower jaw.

The germ is found in great numbers in cultivated soil, street dust and stable refuse. There are specific limitations to the growth and development of the germ. It must be protected from oxygen, and can, therefore grow only in punctured or deep seated wounds. There also seems to be a considerable resistance in the body to the development of the germ, but if foreign matter is carried into the wound, as pieces of cloth, dust, wads in blank-cartridge wounds, etc., tetanus is very apt to develop.

Now, the germ itself does not attack the tissues of the body at the point of entrance, but generates a poison or toxin which attacks the nervous system and nothing else, and acts upon it much as an overdose of strychnia. To stand helplessly by and watch the agonizing struggles and convulsions of a patient afflicted by tetanus, and listen to his pleading for relief is one of the most heart-rending experiences a nurse or doctor may be called upon to endure.

There is perfected an antitoxin for this terrible disease, but it must be injected before the poison has attacked the nerve cells, in other words, before there are any symptoms of disease developing. If given at the time of injury it is an absolute preventive.

All punctured wounds should be exposed to the air, and opened, if necessary, to admit air to all parts, and the antitoxin should be immediately injected where there is contamination with soil. It may seem at the time to be making a mountain of a molehill, but to die with tetanus is one of the worst fates inflicted on mankind.



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## Vacation Smiles



No. 1. Mrs. Richard Yates is feeding an ice cream cone to a pet bear encountered on a trip with her husband near Laconia, N. H. No. 2. Some of the Weave room crowd enjoying a swim in the Shuttle shop pond, in the picture are Vita Perron, her sister, Amede Lockhart and Albert Bonin. No. 3. Mr. and Mrs. Dion who are in charge of Hamilton Lodge with Mr. Dion's sister and Uncle felt sporty and had their picture taken at Salisbury Beach. No. 4. One of the mermaids from the Lower Mill who is training for the English Channel swim.

The good old summer time and vacations are with us and everyone is trying to have a good time. Above are a few snapshots of some Hamilton folks enjoying their holidays. Send in your vacation snapshots for the next issue of the paper. Contribute your share towards making the HAMILTONIAN more enjoyable.

## New Nurse

Mrs. Alex Campbell who has been our Dispensary Nurse for a long time, everyone will be sorry to hear, has left us to join her husband in Loraine, Ohio. Mrs. Campbell was one of the most popular and efficient nurses we have ever had here and we are all sorry to have her go. Her sister Miss Dorothy Murphy who is a registered nurse substituted for her for a little while until the arrival of Miss Hart who will fill the position in the future. Miss Hart was with us before and will be welcomed back by everyone.

At the time of going to press our Superintendent Mr. A. C. Varnum is very ill in a hospital in Worcester. We all sincerely wish for his speedy recovery to good health.

## Brighter



## Burling Room

Mrs. Frances Putnam of Charlton and Mrs. Bessie Briggs and John Shea are now working in Dept. No. 7.

Mrs. Mary Dennison attended the baseball game in Worcester June 24th between Mary E. Wells High School and Northbridge High School, her son William playing second base.

Mrs. Lillian Jordan visited friends in Webster recently.

Mrs. Emma Leonard visited in New London over the holidays.

Mrs. Bridget Benson is entertaining her niece Miss Gertrude Morris of Springfield.

Harry Widdowson and Billy Bates with their families motored to Providence recently in Mr. Widdowson's car to visit some former residents of Southbridge.

## WERE YOU THERE?

Dill: "What color bathing suit did Dorothy have on?"

Pickle: "I couldn't see, she was reading a book."

## The Next Issue will be BABY NUMBER

Give your reporter a photo or snapshot of any baby in a Hamilton family that is at present under five years old. Give the baby's name and age and the name of its parents and what department the parents are connected with. Let's get a picture of every baby.

## Tennis

The tennis season is in full bloom now. Every afternoon and night the courts are busy all of the time. It is fine to see so many newcomers taking so much interest, in the game—girls as well as men. From the way the new players are catching on to the game, it looks as though the old timers will have to take a back seat this year.

Although it is a little earlier than the tournaments have been held in other years the tennis committee feel that right now is the time to get started while the enthusiasm runs high. The Committee plans to hold four tournaments in the following order: Mixed Doubles, Men's Doubles, Women's Singles and Men's Singles. Cups or prizes will be awarded the winners.

We hope everyone who plays tennis will enter the tournaments and help make them a success.

The first tournament will be the Mixed Doubles and will start July 19th.

Enter your names early and help the Committee. Schedules will be posted as soon as possible. For entering your name or any information about the tournaments, see any of the Tennis Committee.

Frank Williams, *Chairman*

Cecilia Fallon

Bessie Hogan

Earl Eaton

Joe Laughnane

John Walsh

John Roan

## Golf Tournament

A Hamilton Club Golf Tournament will be started some time in August and all Hamiltonians who play golf are urged to turn in their Golf Score cards to the Hamiltonian office. Score cards have been printed and may be obtained at the Hamiltonian office. The Tournament will be played on the Woodstock golf course and everyone will be given a handicap made up from the score cards they turn in so that everyone will have an equal chance to win. A cup or some other suitable prize will be offered for the winner.

## SOUNDS CONTAGIOUS

"My girl has the hoof and mouth disease."

"What's that?"

"All she wants to do is eat and dance."

## Toes In



Two little girls in dancing shoes. The one on the right is Jack Walsh's daughter Mary and the other little girl is Kathy, Dr. George Tully's daughter. They went to dancing school this last winter and learned a lot of fancy steps.

## Yard Department

C. F. Morse of Dept. 12 was one of the judges of jumping horses at the Turkey Hill Country Club Horse Show in Worcester, Saturday.

Herbert Butterworth of Dept. 17 and family are planning a motor trip through the Green Mountains about the middle of July.

Oscar Pion of Dept. 12 attended the races of the Bay State Circuit at Windsor, July 4th.

## Warping Department

Mrs. Chapdelaine of the Warping department spent her holidays at Webster Lake over July 4th.

Miss Rosilda Martin attended the wedding of her cousin on July 4th.

Among the newcomers in the Warping department are: Mrs. G. Chapdelaine, Saddle Hogan, Flora Langevin and Mrs. Bourelle.

## Get in Line for Golf





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NEWS GATHERERS

Every employee of the Hamilton Woolen Company

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Central Mills

We are sorry to see Joseph Asselin of carding department leave us. He leaves for Manchester, New Hampshire and our best wishes go with him.

Bill Hutchinson our master mechanic decided to try his hand as an automobile painter and has proven to be quite a success. Bill did a real job on his Reo and it makes us feel quite certain that there are a good many things that he can do even tho' he says very little.

The gardeners at the Central Mills Plot are all in a happy state of mind especially Dave Mitchell as he was some worried about the goat getting back into his garden. What became of the goat, we do not know, but some think that Dutch Martel with his trusty blunderbuss finished its raids. Dutch claims there was a hole in the fence and that all that was done was to fix the fence. We hope so for your sake, Dutch.

Miss Barnes of the office is getting to be quite a reckless driver since she got her license, so we think it only fair to warn other motorists to keep a close eye on her.

Joe Collum is getting quite worried of late as the very little hair that he has is disappearing and he would like to know of some good hair restorer. Probably some of the readers might suggest something. Joe certainly will be grateful.

Among our newcomers are Mrs. E. Bibeau, Mrs. Mary Morasky, Leo Buchanan and Oliver Houle.

Pete Bonneau of the Carding Department would like to swap fish stories with some of the fishermen in town. He tells one of catching a 6 lb. pickerel. Some fish we'll say. Besides being an expert fisherman Pete claims the championship at cornet playing in Fiskdale.

In Trouble

Joe Brown attended the recent annual convention of the National Wool-sorters Association in Lawrence as a delegate from Local No. 11. Returning from that city at a late hour he was forced to spend the remainder of the night at Worcester, there being no practical way of reaching home that evening. Arising at an early hour in the morning he descended from his lodgings to the street and picking out a convenient corner posted himself with watchful eye for any conveyance bearing the name Southbridge. Very soon an electric car passed with the name Palmer emblazoned forth in large and brilliant lettering. Now Palmer meant nothing to Joe, it simply blended with all the other casual and indifferent names continually drifting by. A strenuous two days in Lawrence had probably caused a semi-lapse of memory or a possible mild form of amnesia thru which but one outstanding name broke forth—Southbridge. Becoming impatient after a short and unfruitful wait he inquired in a nearby smoke shop for a car schedule. Resigned to a two hour interval he devoted his extra time to observing the various scenic effects of the city, pigeons, monuments, advertising signs, traffic, etc. Suddenly he noticed an old acquaintance, one who looked very familiar, busily engaged in front of an electric car in throwing a switch on the tracks. Overjoyed at this discovery he rushed forward and his eager inquiries brought forth that the very car in front of him left immediately for Southbridge. Once more his eyes caught the name Palmer fore and aft on the car and he asked for why the name. With much surprise the conductor replied, "How do you expect to reach Palmer except by way of Southbridge?" Gradually the fog cleared from his head and memory brought back the fact that the electric line did not end in Southbridge, but continued on through to a place called Palmer, which did be near Southbridge. Also that it was possible to reach his home town by that way. Needless to state in due course of time he arrived home safely. The members of the Pastime Club and all those along the Coast wish to extend their heartfelt thanks to the Conductor, whoever he was, whose information made it possible that Joe could be with them that Sunday morning.

RATHER EMBARRASSING

Jack: "I called on Mabel last night and I wasn't any more than inside the door before her mother asked me my intentions."

John: "That must have been embarrassing."

Jack: "Yes, but that wasn't the worst of it. Mabel called from up-stairs and said, 'That isn't the one, Mother.'"

"Anna," said Elvira, "would a long stocking hold all you'd want for Christmas?"

"No, Elvira," responded the other, "but a pair of socks would."

In Department 4



Who is the office clerk in the Twisting and Winding department? Why, Juliette Lepain of course. We don't need to say anything about her being good looking because here is her picture. She has been Mr. O'Donnell's clerk for quite a long while and handles all the clerical work for a very large department all alone. Juliette is a pretty, quiet girl and everybody likes her even if she does hide in her office all the time.

Mrs. Therese Antaya has gone to Canada for her annual vacation.

Miss Melina Benoit entertained her brothers from Atlantic City over the holiday.

Mary Craite was a recent visitor in Providence.

Miss Emerence Leblanc attended the wedding of her cousin in Holyoke, July 5.

Armand and Ernest Marchessault were among the many who attended the Sturbridge Races.

WE'RE SURE WE DON'T KNOW

Dear Pied Piper: The other night while out riding with my sweetie I placed my arm about her. Everything went smooth until a motor cop pulled up alongside and hollered: "Hey, young feller, use both hands." Whereupon I shouted back: "Well, officer, who's going to drive?" And I nearly got pinched. Can you tell me what was wrong?

Just News Items

Jim Christenson formerly of the Engineering department who spent last winter in Florida with his family has returned to town and is doing surveying and engineering work for hire.

Mr. Barnum second hand at the Cotton Mill has a new Jewett automobile with which to enjoy this summer.

Earl Eaton, Assistant purchasing agent spent a two weeks vacation in Maine, doing a little fishing and enjoying life in general.

Mr. Hanks, Butterworth and Garceau have been fishing a few times lately but we haven't heard that they caught anything.

Mike Horrigan who is engineer at the Fiskdale plant has deserted the Hudson and has bought a new Velie Sedan.

Leslie Turner, son of Eric Turner second hand in the Slashing room is working at the Hamilton Lodge this summer as kitchen man.

Mr. Malcolm Reese our wool buyer who is in the Boston office delivered the Welcoming address at the opening of the summer camp at Star Island Maine for the Young Peoples Society of the Unitarian Church.

Bob Storer of the Boston office spent his vacation on a camping trip through the White Mountains.

George Simpson lost his glasses again in the same place. They were found in the river and fished out. This will interest those that know where he lost them.

The Life Saving boat which the company has equipped and which is kept in the rear of the store house on Mill street was taken up to the Big Pond the other day and christened. The gig on which it is drawn worked to perfection and the boat is a fine one. It rows very easily and does not tip easily. In case of a water accident do not forget where the boat is and that all equipment for life saving is there.

Betty Gardner was one of the participants in an automobile accident not long ago. A car in which she was riding tipped over. No one was hurt very much but Betty bumped her knee.

Worthing West who most of us remember, as he worked through the mill to learn the business, has been calling at the Mill office while Mr. A. B. Cooke is on his vacation. Mr. West is with Amory Browne Co. in their Hamilton Woolen Co. department.

"Getting the baby to sleep is hardest when she is about eighteen years old."



How many Central Mill folks will recognize Alma Leduc of the doubling department in this picture of her when she had a high chair? Alma was a pretty baby but we wish that we had a picture of her now to show you. Pretty baby.

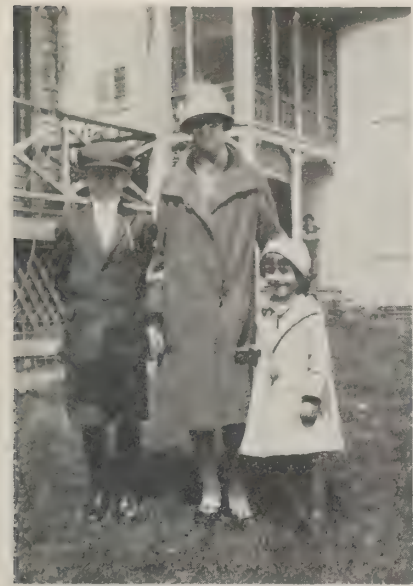
Alma and Joe Leduc spent a two weeks vacation in Canada.

Aurora Boiteau spent her two weeks vacation in Fall River, New York and Bristol, R. I.

Agnes Pion was out sick for a few days with a cold.



Weave Room



Rudolph Lusignan of the Weave room office is a pretty young looking fellow but nevertheless he is the father of three handsome children of which he is and has a right to be proud. In the picture his oldest daughter Irene is in the center and Leo on the left and Claire on the right.

Mr. Oscar Pion, Joseph Proulx, and Frank Harvey recently made a trip to Lowell.

Mr. Leo Martin a strong Waterbury Baseball fan is seldom seen in the Warp Room these days. We wonder why???

Mr. Adelard Martin attended a dance at the Venetian Gardens in Springfield.

Mr. Alcide Dupre is back with us again after spending a few weeks vacation in Canada.

Miss Mary Ryan a former employee of the Weave Room Office spent a few hours with us recently renewing acquaintances.

Flat tire Albert Proulx is a regular dance fan at the Stonebridge Pavilion and Wildwood.

Miss Olive Mathieu spent a few days with friends in Providence.

The following persons have accepted positions in the Weave Room: Edward Harvey, Leo Morin, Eugene Gaudette, Arthur Collette, Joseph Misazck and Alvin Hyde.

Miss Ida Chapdelaine has joined the ranks of Charleston trotters.

Mr. Flagg our champion bicycle rider is far from being a champ fisherman. Mr. Flagg after spending a whole day fishing was rewarded toward evening with a bite which proved to be a small crawfish. Better luck next time, Mr. Flagg.

Mr. Emile Berthiaume has purchased a new 1926 Tudor Ford Sedan. Emile made a trip to Springfield as soon as he bought it and says it runs fine.

Miss Eva Larivere a member of the Daughters of Pocahontas degree team attended the initiation of 24 new members.

Mr. Eric Turner of the Slasher Dept. has purchased a new Essex Car.

John L. B., Mr. Narcisse Girard's fine little bay stallion took 3rd prize money at the Bay State Circuit races held at Sturbridge recently.

Miss Vita Perron was confined at home a few days with a sore throat.

Mr. Arthur Bachand took motor trips to Bristol and Boston recently.

Mr. Arthur Morin has moved to his new home on Fiske Street.

Mr. Ovilia L'Heureux is busy these days painting and repairing his home on Fiske Street.

Base Ball

The Twilight Baseball League is going strong. More interest is being taken in the games we believe than was enjoyed when we only had one team. There are not so many spectators at the games but there are four teams in the mill and they are all out to win and are having a great time playing ball. The four teams are pretty evenly matched and the rivalry is getting keener every day. There is pretty nearly a friendly fight over every game. The games are played on Monday and Tuesday evenings at 5.15 and are for five innings except in case of tie score. Gallagher is the umpire for most of the games. The team standing on June 30th was as follows:

TWILIGHT LEAGUE STANDING				
JUNE 30				
	Won	Lost		Per
Maintenance	4	0		1000
Top Mill	3	1		750
Middle Mill	1	3		250
Upper Mill	0	4		000

JUNE 28

The Maintenance defeated the Upper Mill team to-night 11-10, seven innings being necessary to divide the winner. It was a game marked by heavy hitting on both sides. The Score.

MAINTENANCE										
	ab	r	h	po	a	e				
Simpson, c.	3	1	1	10	1	0				
Lawton, p.	4	4	2	0	6	0				
Farland, lb.	5	2	2	7	0	0				
Brennan, 2b.	2	2	1	2	6	0				
Duclos, ss.	4	0	1	0	1	1				
Orr, 3b.	3	1	2	1	0	0				
Moriarty, lf.	4	0	1	0	0	0				
Knowles, cf.	3	0	0	0	0	0				
Cloutier, rf.	3	1	2	1	0	0				
Total	31	11	12	21	14	1				
UPPER MILL										
	ab	r	h	po	a	e				
Leduc, ss.	5	4	3	2	2	2				
Paulhus, 2b.	5	2	3	2	5	0				
Lange, p., lf.	3	0	3	1	0	0				
Fairbanks, c.	2	0	1	4	1	1				
Splaine, lb.	2	0	0	7	0	0				
Rabidoux, p., lf.	4	1	2	1	1	0				
Shea, 3b.	4	0	0	0	0	0				
Connors, cf.	3	2	1	1	0	0				
Cuddihy, rf.	2	1	0	0	0	0				
Fallon, rf.	2	0	1	0	0	0				
Total	32	10	14	18	9	3				
Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
Maintenance	1	2	0	5	2	0	1	—11		
Upper Mill	2	1	4	0	3	0	0	—10		
Umpire, Gallagher.	Scorer, Patenaude.									

JUNE 14

Pleau let the Middle Mill team down with one hit to-night and so the Top Mill won easily 7-2. The Score.

TOP MILL						
	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Cira, lb.	3	1	0	4	1	0
Brown, 2b.	3	0	1	1	0	0
Blackburn, 3b.	3	0	0	0	2	1
Rowley, ss.	3	1	1	0	0	1
Fontaine, c.	3	0	0	10	1	
Damien, cf.	2	1	0	0	0	0
Gregoire, lf.	2	2	1	0	0	0
Buckingham, rf.	2	1	0	0	0	0
Pleau, p.	0	1	0	0	0	0
	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	21	7	3	15	4	2
MIDDLE MILL						
	ab	r	h	po	a	e
E. Berthiaume, c.	2	0	0	2	0	0
Masi, p.	1	0	0	0	0	0
Pelletier, p.	2	0	0	0	0	1
F. Berthiaume, lb.	2	1	0	7	0	1
Bonin, 3b., ss.	1	0	0	0	2	2
Renaud, 2b.	1	1	0	0	2	1
Bachand, ss.	0	0	0	1	1	1
Leveque, 3b.	2	0	0	0	0	1
Lavallee, rf.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riley, rf.	2	0	0	0	0	0
Gauthier, cf.	2	0	1	1	0	0
V. Lavallee, lf.	2	0	0	1	0	0
	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	17	2	1	12	5	7
Innings	1	2	3	4	5	
Top Mill	0	2	0	5	0	—7
Middle Mill	1	1	0	0	0	—2
Umpire, Gallagher.	Scorer, Patenaude.					

Upper Mill and Finishing Room

Albert Potvin was the guest of Alick L'heureux at Quincy, Mass. the week of June 7th. Alick was formerly employed here, as an Electricist.

John Quirk is back home again after undergoing a successful operation at St. Vincents Hospital, Worcester. We hope to have him back with us, pretty soon.

Walter Grimes is back with us again, he started in on June 14th.

Another old employee, in the person of Theodore Marchessault, returned to us on June 21st.

Mrs. Olivine (Paul) Gagnon is also back with us, temporarily, June 21st.

Corrine Pelletier was out sick the week of June 21st, she is back at work again, and, we are glad to say, is feeling as well as ever.

Catherine Reilly took a leading part in the Continuation School Graduation exercises.

We are glad to have Mary Ryan back with us again after an absence of eleven weeks, she is feeling quite well again, she says she is afraid she will have to take reducing exercises, she has gained 13 pounds.

Mrs. Albina (Lavallee) Martel, late of the department, is the proud mother of a bouncing boy, born on June 11th. (Raymond Arthur.)

Mary Coughlin was a visitor to Whalom Park on June 13th, and the following week visited Camp Devens.

Tom Fallon is back with us again after a visit to his brother Jim in Waterbury, Conn.

Mary Lachapelle says "bum" tires have their advantages,—the country lanes are so quiet, and restful.

Billy Peters was out sick on June 14th.

Nellie Brennan, and Mary Lachapelle attended the wedding of George Udell, formerly of this town—at Providence on July 3rd.

Tim Moriarty and family spent a week camping at Little Alum Pond, recently.

Mrs. Catherine Fitzpatrick attended the graduation of her daughter, Mary, from Our Lady of the Elms Seminary, at Chicopee, Mass., on June 12th.

Leon Dumas, nephew of Josephine Dumas, is convalescing at his home, after a successful operation for appendicitis, at St. Vincents Hospital, Worcester.

Arthur Leduc and family spent a recent week-end at Plainville and New Haven, Conn.

Mrs. Myra Knowles was a week-end visitor in Worcester, recently.

Mrs. Cecilia (Murphy) Cournoyer, a former worker in the Department, is the proud mother of a seven pound girl. (Eleanor) born on June 23rd.

"Bobby" Kershaw spent a week in Hartford recently.

Emelia Cloutier is the very latest "bob" in the department.

Mrs. Andia Pelletier is a newcomer to the department.

Evelyn Dufault says, she thinks "white flannels" are so becoming.

Eugene Lange was in Springfield on June 29th, on baseball business for the Gibraltar A. A.

"Stan" Stapleski spent the "fourth" at Riverside Park, Springfield. What about the Roller Coaster, Stan, we hear you had to buy a new lid.

Mrs. Ravenelle and family spent the fourth at New Bedford, Mass.

Clarinda Pelletier visited Pawtucket and Providence over the holiday.

The girls in the Card Room, are from Missouri. Alice Marchessault says she will have a picture taken of that tomato, to prove that there is one.

Evelyn Dufault spent the holiday with friends in Bristol, Conn.

Mrs. Knowles spent the holidays visiting New Bedford, New Haven and Ocean Beach. Myra says there is nothing like the salt water.

Walter and Mrs. Grimes will spend the summer at their cottage on Kildeer Island, Webster Lake.

Catherine Reilly was pleasantly surprised by a party of her friends at her home on the evening of June 29th, a very enjoyable time was had.

Nolia Proulx spent the week of the fourth as the guest of her sister Mrs. Massman at Bristol, and Savin Rock, Conn.

Mr. Durgin visited Hampton Beach recently.

EVEN AS YOU AND I

When Noah sailed the well-known blue,  
He had his troubles as well as you,  
For days and days he drove the ark  
Before he found a place to park.

A negro met an acquaintance of his,  
also colored, on the street one day and was surprised to see that his friend had on a new suit, new hat, new shoes and other evidences of prosperity.

"Hey, boy," he said, 'how come you dressed up this way? Is you got a job?'

"I's got somethin' better'n any job," replied the other, 'I's got a profession.'

"What is it?'

"I's a orator."

"What's a orator?'

"Don't you know?" replied the resplendent one in surprise. 'Well, I'll tell you what a orator is. If you was to walk up to a ordinary nigger and ask him how much was two and two, he'd say "four," but if you was to ask one of us orators how much was two and two, he'd say, "When in di cou'se of human events it becomes necessary to take de numeral of de second denomination and add it to de figger two, I says unto you and I says it without fear of successful contradictionk dat de result will invar'bly be four." Dat's a orator.'"



Percy Chase had his word doubted by Jimmy Knowles of the Belt Shop when he told about shooting Horn Pout out of trees up in Westville. Now Percy is a man of the truth and while he can't offer any picture of Pout in a tree he has submitted this picture of an educated fish that is a personal acquaintance of his.



## An Office Gang



This distinguished looking group is the Stores Office force. Billy Proulx is in charge under Mr. Rich and this force do all the office work in connection with our supplies and stock and handle much of the work in connection with the bills and purchase records. They are from left to right: Ernest Fierro, Basil Proulx, Jr., Miss Mae Cuddihy, Miss Lelia Guptil, Howard Freeman and William Proulx. During their noon hours they have cultivated a flower garden outside their office door which is really very beautiful. When you are going down Mill St. cross the road and take a peek at the garden.

## Office News

Jack Brogan and Officer Dick Collins are spending their vacations following the Bay State Circuit. (Unknown to one another.)

A new flower has appeared in the Stores Office garden and Ralph Arnold has declared it to be a variety known as "Spud." He has prescribed a food for it similar to that used on his tomato plants. Ask him!

Howard Freeman is touring the country these days—once it gets good weather he is seldom home any week-end—among the places he has visited this past month are the following—Spencer, Charlton, Dudley and last but not least FITCHBURG. He went to Fitchburg to pick laurel.

May A. Cuddihy has purchased a Ford Sedan thru A. N. Badger's Agency. Commissions on these sales vary.

Gus Peterson has started housekeeping next door to Mr. A. B. Wells, on Main St. Last we heard his rabbits were doing pretty well.

Mary C. Casey our telephone operator spent her vacation at Riverview, R. I.

Charlotte Gallaway is the new girl in the Cost Department, taking Miss Smith's place.

The Prince of Wales fell off of his horse but Ruth McMaster our champion diving girl fell off the wharf at Roseland Park while doing a Swan Dive. Too bad that Doctor Campbell was so far away.

Mr. John C. Dirlam spent his vacation in Penn. and while there will visit the Sesquicentennial Exposition, at Phila.

Edgar Wilcock is assisting in the Cost Department during vacation.

Frank Darling attended a music recital at which his daughter Cynthia starred.

Eddie Guilbault recently visited Charlie Hill's and purchased the largest diamond available. Oh, it won't be long now, Edmond.

"Some Sunday morning when the weather is fine" but this happened to be the 27th of June, Billie Proulx was trying out all makes of cars in order to decide which car would carry him to Canada.

Ernest Fierro is now Transportation master of the Stores Office, that "Chev" knows the way to Webster.

Telephone rings—Washington D. C. calling—oh I can't hear you, can't hear you Joe. But I'm tickled to death to hear from you.

A certain June morning had a dark gray appearance to members of the Stores Office after attending banquets at Columbia Hotel, Twin Elms, Mashapaug and Babe's Lunch.

## Dye House News

It has been reported that Neil Callahan who used to work in the dye house laboratory is now the father of a baby boy.

Billy Farquhar who used to work here and who is the son of Commander Farquhar of the dye house is now working in East Hampton, Conn.

Paul Scharschmidt in charge of dyeing for Mr. Harger has proven that he can handle colors in other forms. He has just finished painting his Buick auto and has done a dandy job.

Amede Girard of the dye house has brought his boy home from St. Vincents Hospital in Worcester where he has been for about three weeks.

A few of the newcomers in the dye house who are mostly old hands re-employed are: Claudio Paul, Joe Martin, Joe Dionne, H. Welsh, Ignatz Similas, Raymond Splaine, J. Malloney and Wallace Birdsall.

Watson: "Caddy, are you good at finding golf balls?"

Caddy: "Yes, sir, very good indeed."

Watson: "Well then, find a ball and we'll start the game."

## Guess Who



Well now of course all the girls are wondering who the handsome baby is. No chance of your holding this baby on your knee now girls because he has grown up and has babies of his own to hold on his knee. You might know that such a pleasant looking child would be none other than the popular Jack Brogan of the Receiving department. Wasn't he a dear?

## Fish Story

William Kermack, Fred Farrow, William Buckingham and their families motored to Ocean Beach, Sunday, June 27th, and they all had a good time. Bill Kermack brought along his fishing tackle again in a Mayo's Tobacco can and he no sooner parked the car than he was at the pier throwing out a line. Bill had great luck as the "Deep Sea Perch" were biting ferociously and although he had a good supply of bait, it was soon exhausted and so was Bill. Bill was going to give a fish chowder party to his friends when he got home but a fish dealer there made him a good offer and as the money would buy a good supply of gas, Bill decided to sell them while he had a market for them.

Robert Kershaw Sr., and Miss Margaret Kershaw his daughter attended the wedding of Henry Horner in Providence on June 26th. Mr. Horner is a son of Harry Horner formerly of this town who worked for the Hamilton Woolen Company some years ago. The following day Mr. Kershaw and Miss Kershaw went to Watch Hill, R. I., to visit Mr. Kershaw's daughter Nellie who is a governess for a Providence family there. They had a very nice time on their week-end visit and hope to enjoy the salt air breezes soon again.



## Lower Mill

George Gaetgens motored to Jewett City, Connecticut the week-end of June 13th to visit his son William Gaetgens who made his First Communion on that Sunday in one of the Churches there.

Silvio Champeau who was away for a few months has returned to work in the Card Room.

Alfred Berry who was working in Springfield is back at work in the Top Mill. Berry was working for the General Baking Company there but had no chance to play ball as he was working nights and afternoons. He expects to show his ability with us against the Maintenance Team soon.

Elmira Vary was a bridesmaid at her sister's wedding on June 21st. Elmira says she was almost as nervous as if she was getting married herself.

Harry Benfield is now working in Springfield and there must be gloom amongst his lady friends for Harry was very popular with the girls. Harry was a versatile young man, as he could play a good game of Soccer, make a good end-man in a minstrel show and could shake a wicked foot in the Charleston.

Vincent Lachapelle is now working at The American Optical Company. Joseph Firth and family motored to Fitchburg the week-end of June 12th to visit friends in that city and had a very pleasant trip.

"Dad," said the tactful youth, "I want to be a radio expert when I grow up."

"Why a radio expert, son?" asked the busy father.

"So I can put your new radio back together again."

## Spinning and Drawing

Pete Curran likes his Essex better than ever now.

Irene Salva is becoming one of our tennis stars.

Remember the time when Albert Masi used to be able to pitch ball?

Ruby Kermack has been looking terribly lonesome for a long time now, what's the matter Ruby?

Herbert Peters has been looking the "Whippet" over. Some one will be able to buy an Essex touring car cheap.

Elzear Ravenelle has moved from Mill Street to Hamilton Street.

The only part of Johnny Buccilli that hasn't stopped growing is his feet. Johnny says that makes him harder to knock over.

Dick Cooper and family spent three days at Revere Beach over the holidays.

If you are not a real Bill Tilden don't ask Bernard O'Donnell to play tennis with you. He says it spoils a good player, playing with learners. That's why Bernard is seated on the bench more than he is playing tennis. So few good players around don't you know.

Herman Langevin is no piker. Did you see him get in his new special six Studebaker sport roadster?

Walter Peters says Jamestown looks further away this summer than ever it did before.

Charles Manthorne's trusty "Star" fell down on him one morning recently, he didn't get in to work before 7:30.

Mrs. Fred Beaudreau a former employee of Dept. 2 is spending the Summer with her Mother and Father, Mr. & Mrs. George Bourassa.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vinton of Sturbridge recently celebrated their ninth wedding anniversary. Charlie, who works in No. 1 Drawing room says it was quite a celebration too. Congratulations.

Percy Cuddihy has joined the ranks of automobile owners. He is a pretty good driver going forward but when it comes to backing up he is pretty hard on fences.

Miss Adele Szuyryna and Stella Koveleski attended the Bartlett High Junior Prom in Webster recently.

Jack Cuddihy who has passed through the Cotton Mill gate since 1881 will now have the pleasure of seeing a bench outside the gate to sit upon at noon hour while enjoying his smoke. Officer Wilson of the Hamilton police force has built a bench during his spare time and will place it outside his gate. We thank the officer and hope he will share the bench with us even if he does not smoke.

Plant a tree and you plant a hope. Erect a Flag pole and inherit an inspiration.

Mr. Ryan in charge of company tenelements has had a Flag pole erected in the square at Ballard Court where the American flag will be displayed on days of patriotic significance. This addition to Ballard Court will be a great improvement where a great many employees live and Commander Farquhar of the U. S. W. V. who lives there will see that the Flag is displayed properly.

Grace Blute has returned to Dept. No. 1 in the Gilling Department.



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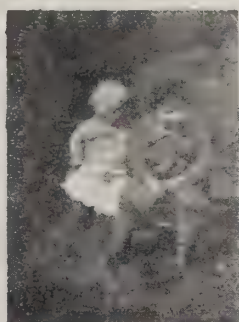
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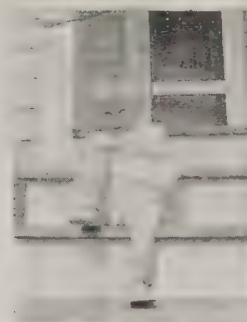
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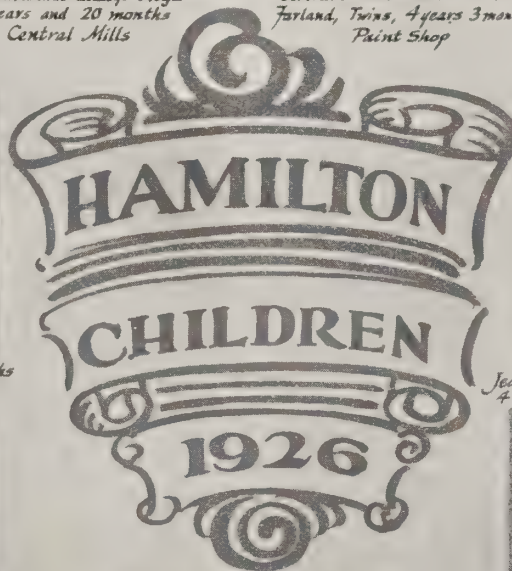
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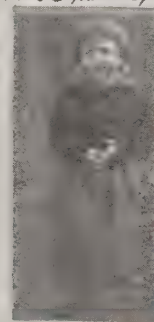
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1 year - Fiskdale Branch



Stanley Dziak's Children  
Power House



Junior Moriarity - 3 years  
Finishing Room



Dorothy Laplante - 9 mos.  
Spinning Dept.



James Fierro - 4 years  
Stores Office



Mary Elizabeth Dirlam  
9 months - Cost Dept.



Donald Francis Ryan  
at 19 months - Employment Office



Doris Patenaude  
1 year, Twisting Dept.



Robert Riccardy  
3 years, Weave Room



Stella Vaseliki Baropoulou,  
4 years and Katherine, 3 years  
Spinning Dept.



Lorienne Trudell  
Power House



Alice and Helen Libera  
Tand 5 years, Weave Room



Ruth Jane Whiteoak  
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Ernest Grochowski  
22 months - Dye House



Cecelia Gallagher -  
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## NEWS GATHERERS

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## Now Mrs.



Miss Yvonne Chamberland who has been working in the Twisting and Winding departments for the past three years has left us to live in New Haven, Conn. She was married to Leopold Proulx recently and while Mr. Proulx's home is in Southbridge his work with the New Haven Railroad keeps him in New Haven. The whole Hamilton family wish the Proulx's a long and happy married life.

Jack Walsh spent the week ends during July at Ocean Grove where his family have a cottage for a month.

## Dodging 'em

Ernest Desmarias, who in his spare time works on Albert McKinstry's farm, had an experience the other night which he does not care to repeat. It seems that Ernest was running a hayrake behind a small truck on the farm and a skunk wandered out from the bushes to dispute Ernest's right of way at that particular spot. Ernest stopped the truck and tried to shoo him away so that he could finish up the haying, but Mr. Skunk only shook his head and pawed the ground up in front of the machine. Finally, Ernest lost his temper, and jumping into the truck he put on full speed ahead. Mr. Skunk got into action then and what he did to that truck made Ernest gasp for breath. Ernest finally won the right of way, but at what a cost to the truck and the atmosphere. Ernest says, "It was a good thing I didn't forget to close the doors of the cab or I would be wearing my best suit now." The last report from the truck was that it was still out in the open cooling off.

## Credit Union

A Statement issued by the Commissioner of Banks for the State of Massachusetts gives one a reliable source of information as to the condition of Credit Unions in this State. In June, 1926 there were 93 Credit Unions in Massachusetts. 70,568 members. Assets were \$9,492,145.32 an increase from October, 1925 of \$822,376.37. This shows that Credit Unions are a going and reliable institution.

## Office News

Among those who have spent their vacations this month are:

Basile Proulx, Jr., Bristol, Conn.  
William Loring, Norfolk, Va., Washington and New York.  
Earl Eaton, Rockland, Me.  
Gustave Peterson, Narragansett Pier.  
Jack Hampson, Lead Mine Pond.  
Edmond Guilbault, Jitney work (taking his dearie to work).  
Kenneth Crossman, Block Island.  
George S. Rich, New York City.  
Frank Darling, Black Pond, Woodstock, Conn.  
Billie Proulx, Canada.  
Agnes Prendergast, Cedar Pond, Sturbridge.  
Ruth McMaster, Fiskdale and Alum Pond.  
May A. Cuddihy, Hampton Beach, Rockport and Magnolia.  
Mary Shea, Worcester and Southbridge.  
Charlotte Gallaway.  
Olga Page, at home.  
Miss Lelia Guptill entertained friends from Washington this past month.  
May A. Cuddihy has purchased an Overland Whippet.

## Carpenter Shop

George Simpson, overseer at the Carpenter Shop, spent his two weeks vacation with his family motoring through Vermont, New York State and Canada.

Alfred Dumas of the Carpenter Shop recently had his tonsils removed at a hospital in Worcester. He says he feels much better now.

Romeo Arcoite is now working in the Paint Shop.

William Kermack, with his family and a party of friends from New York, spent a week end recently at Marblehead Neck, and Bill says that he bought his fish this time.

## On a Trip



John Therrien, Armand Anger, Joe Doucette and Wm. Dennison motored to Rocky Point in Bill's Oakland car on the 17th of July. There were plenty of mix ups on this trip, John Therrien ate too much chowder, Joe Doucette got sick on the roller coaster, Bill got off the road on the way home and landed in Pascoag. "Well, I'll be hanged" said Bill. Armand Anger is holding the camera for the picture. They invited Andrew Simpson to go with them on this trip but Andrew had another date that day and couldn't go. The boys are wondering who the girl is that keeps Andrew busy.

## Dye House News

John Wieblad's son who recently underwent an operation is at home again and is doing nicely.

Hillary Cuddihy of the Dye House has been doing a little touring lately. On a trip to Rockport he had the misfortune to run into another car damaging the mudguards.

Harry Widdowson visited friends in Rockdale and Warren recently.

Claude Paul of the Dye House was out recently to attend the funeral of his wife's sister Mrs. Beatrice Corriveau.

Peter Craite (the old boy himself) is back at his job in the Dye House after spending a few months working in Springfield, Mass.

Mr. Neveau of the Dye House is sporting a new Oakland Six.

Paul Scharrsmidt, his son and Pete Leduc went fishing recently at Webster Lake. The trip was made especially to teach Paul's son Eugene how to fish for bass and Eugene was the only one to catch one.

Mr. Hillary Cuddihy, Dye House, and David Simpson, Jr., spent a day in Boston recently. The trip was made in Hillary's Ford Sedan.

The Misses Aurora Collette and Victoria Cheslar enjoyed the sights at Riverside Park, Springfield, recently.

The little ford wouldn't ramble right along. If you don't believe it ask Ira Orr who cranked his new Lizzie five times from down street to the Hamilton Lodge. Better get a new self commencer, Ira.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lawton spent their vacation in Philadelphia, Pa., and while there, they visited places of interest in Washington, D. C. and Arlington, Virginia.

E. H. Durgin has just returned from his vacation.

## The Lower Mill

George Gaetjens and a party of freinds motored to Watch Hill, Pleasant View and Atlantic Beach over the week end of July 11 and they all had a good salt water swim at Atlantic Beach. George and his family say that Atlantic Beach is the best bathing place they have tried yet and if a person wishes to, they can use their car for a dressing room.

Joseph Firth and family motored to Fitchburg recently to spend the week end with friends there. Joe came pretty near getting lost coming back, as he got onto the wrong road and landed up in Winchendon, but he finally reached home late.

Ernest Hampson, Ovila Donais, Hector Vaillancourt, William Noga, Matilda Bronnette and Louisa Coderre are some of the new help working at the top mill.

Robert Kershaw, together with Zenos Henly and family, motored to Warner, N. H. the week end of the fourth of July, and spent the time on their summer place there.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yates have been spending the week ends during July at Revere and other beaches on the Mass. coast.

## Wool Room

Stanley Harwood was married this last month and the Wool Room offers sincere congratulations for a happy and prosperous future. This act elevates him from that so termed "lower strata" of the room which can still boast five members. It not only shows the way but offers encouragement to these five young men, who though possibly not young in years certainly are in mental outlook.

James Beaumont is fortunate to have such accommodating friends as to be the recipient of an automobile ride nearly every night.

Joe Orange is one of our well known fishermen; his fish basket usually returns well filled. Austin Chadwick does not believe this; he has waited nearly two years for a delivery of three pounds of fish. However, Charles Timmer, who has a standing order of six pounds per week is always well satisfied with the fulfillment of his contract. We understand that the secret of Joe's success is, that by riding in state to the fishing grounds on the back seat of a Black and White Taxi he is always fresh and active on arrival and can put forth his best efforts during the actual time spent in bringing in the fish.

## Don't Miss

## The Hamilton Club Base Ball Games

—AT—

## Hamilton Field

## Every

## Saturday Afternoon



## Ready For Winter



John Lupa who works in the Weave Room delivers cord wood in his spare time and has a Ford truck for this purpose. The picture above shows him with a good looking load and a "large cord" as John says.

## Weave Room

Mr. and Mrs. Adelard Cournoyer are being congratulated on the birth of a baby daughter. Mrs. Cournoyer's friends in the Rewinding Department presented the little one with several presents.

Mr. Adelard Martin was a big winner in the recent Delaney—Berlenbach fight.

Miss Elizabeth Perron and Miss Vita Perron took in the sights and enjoyed the amusements at White City, Worcester.

Mr. Oscar Gauthier, a former worker in the Warp Room, has joined the U. S. Navy. Mr. Gauthier is stationed at Newport.

The Misses Rose and Sophia Plante spent the week end in Elizabeth Park, Hartford recently.

Mr. Edward St. Onge has purchased a fine Overland Sedan.

Mr. Herve Tarvenier, a loomfixer in Department 6 and his family, made a tour of Canada the past month. The trip was made in Mr. Tarvenier's car.

Mr. Albert Proulx and William Escott motored to Revere Beach recently.

FOR SALE: Fine hard wood, \$9.00 a cord. Apply Joseph Lupa, Department 6. Quick delivery assured.

Mr. Eugene Galipeau is now residing at his uncle's new home on Water Street.

The Misses Grace St. Onge, Rose and Sophia Plante made a trip to Mt. Wachusett recently.

Miss Eva Rivers attended the wedding of her cousin Miss Albina Peloquin, July 27th.

Miss Ellen Buckley enjoyed a motor trip to Newport recently.

Miss Edna Russell spent a few days in Grosvenor Dale.

## Burling

Miss Katherine King entertained her niece Mrs. William Norman and son from Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Lillian Jordan entertained her sister Mrs. Jerry Barcomb from North Bangor, N. Y.

Leon Chouinard takes a trip to Westville every night, he says he goes in swimming.

## Warping

Among the newcomers in the Warping room are Mrs. G. Livenois, and Miss E. Morrissey.

Miss Lorenda Peloquin attended the wedding of her sister on July 27th.

## Central Mills

Claudia Duquette, Valida Duquette, Fred Therien, Eva Cuskie, Charles Gregoire and Wm. Pappas are new employees.

We were all sorry to hear that the Langlais sister's Irene and Yvonne had left us to accept work in the Twisting department.

Leo Buchanan visited relatives in Worcester recently.

Dave Mitchell, and Bill Hutchinson with their families motored to Springfield and Eagleville, Conn. recently in Mr. Hutchinson's car to visit friends and relatives of both parties.

Walter Berek was a recent visitor in West Warwick, R. I.

Mr. and Mrs. Mathew Bingham are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a baby boy.

Mrs. Tougas of the Spinning Room has purchased a new Essex car.

Edward Courteau secondhand in the Spinning Room has left us to accept work in Worcester.

William Nogas has been transferred to Department 1, at the Lower Mill.

## Weaving News

Fat Berthiaume, star ball player and tennis star is sporting around a fine coat of tan that he got at Spring Lake Beach Woonsocket.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Julien are being congratulated on the birth of a baby daughter.

Mr. William Toye has purchased an Essex Coach.

Miss Eva Lariviere was a visitor at Crystal Lake recently.

Mr. Michael Perron attended a clam bake at Wallace's Grove.

Mr. J. Anger is back at his duties in Department 6 after several weeks' illness.

Mr. and Mrs. George Patenaude attended a picnic held in Gaudette's Grove, Charlton. Among those present were Mr. Noe Gaudette, Loomfixer in Department 6, Miss Margaret Tierney, of the Fiskdale branch of the Hamilton Woolen and Noe Gaudette, Jr., a former worker in the chain room in Department 6 who is now working in Bristol, Connecticut.

Mr. Leo Martin has installed a power tube on his Browning Drake radio. What's the matter Leo, are you looking for Waterbury team scores?

## Still Here



The Proulx boys when they worked for the Hamilton Woolen Co. 56 years ago. In the back row are Louis (left) and Basile (right) and seated in front are left, John and right, Joseph. Basile who is now the Overseer in the Blacksmith Shop was then ten years old and worked in the Spinning room. Louis also worked in the Spinning room and Joe worked on the wool washers. John ran a dresser. Basile made a trip to Canada this summer to visit his brothers and got this picture from Joe. Basile is still working every day and can talk about "le vieux temps" at the Hamilton Woolen Co.

Edward Larivierre and A. Peloquin of the dye house attended the wedding of their niece and sister.

Mary Ryan of the Sample Car Room returned to a Worcester hospital for further treatment recently. We all hope that Mary doesn't have any more trouble.

Alex Laporte of the dye house spent part of his vacation visiting relatives in Canada.

Wm. Dennison of the Electrical Department spent his vacation in Milford and vicinity which is his old home town.

Ralph Arnold is back at his desk again after being out with a long siege of sickness.

Wm. Arnold spent his vacation with relatives in New Bedford, Mass. Nothing like the bathing at Horseneck Beach says William.

Aldea Ravenelle was out sick from July 12th to the 19th.

Clarinda and Corrine Pelletier, Alice Chamberland and Parmelia Ravenelle are some quartet. We would like to hear them perform at the Carnival.

## Upper Mill

Tim Moriarty and family spent the week of July 23rd at Crystal Lake, Stafford, Conn.

Arthur Leduc entertained his sister from Plainfield, Conn., the week of July 12th.

Wilfred Paulhus and his wife left on a two weeks' automobile trip on July 30th, they will visit relatives and friends in Montreal, Buffalo and Rochester and will also visit Niagara Falls.

Bobby Kershaw and Walter Connors spent the week end of July 30th at Narragansett Pier visiting Walter's brother who is a life-guard there.

Josephine Dumas attended the funeral of her Uncle Felix Dumas at Woonsocket, July 26th.

Pete Leduc is making up for that lost year, he can be found evenings and week ends fishing on the Lead Mine Pond, he is not telling everybody how they are biting.

Olivine Gagnon is sporting around in her new Sedan, mind the speed laws Olivine.

Nap Gaumond is also burning up the roads in his recently acquired car, he has not told us, yet, how high she can hit up to.

Eugene Lange and family motored to Brockton on July 26th to attend the funeral of his aunt who died from a shock in that city.

Lizzie Herber was a recent week-end visitor in Worcester.

Myra Knowles and her husband accompanied by Elaine Farquhar and Catherine Reilly, motored to Greystone, R. I., on July 28th.

Nellie Brennan, Nolia Proulx, Elaine Farquhar, Catherine Reilly, Mary Lachapelle, Josephine Dumas, and Lottie Murphy took a bus ride to Rocky Point on July 31st, and enjoyed one of the shore dinners for which that resort is famous. Rather hard to have to work next day after an outing like that.

Mary Lachapelle and Mary Coughlan visited relatives in New York the week end of July 24th, they also visited Coney Island, and only regret that they did not have more time to spend there, they are planning another trip before the end of the summer when they will have more time to see some of the sights.

Joseph Morrissey spent the week of July 12th motoring throughout New England he says he saw quite a lot of the country.

**HAMILTON CLUB CARNIVAL**  
HAMILTON FIELD  
**Saturday P. M. and Eve'g, August 28**  
WARREN CADET BAND  
**ATHLETIC MEET    BOXING MATCHES    BIG MIDWAY**  
Exhibit of HAMILTON-MADE Dress Goods  
LIVE MODELS  
Outdoor Dancing on a Monster Dance Platform especially constructed  
Hamilton Field Fully Illuminated at Night  
**Admission: Club Members Free, Others only 10 Cents**

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Bernard and Constance Boyle  
5 and 4 years - Twisting Dept.



Norman Duhamel - 2 1/2 years  
Rewinding Room



Valeriu Oblozynski -  
16 Months - Dye House



Sally Moriarity - 2 yrs.  
Finishing Room



Jeanette and Stella Migala  
2 and 4 yrs., Dye House



Leon Livernois  
2 yrs., Fiskdale Branch



Raymond Bolduc - 5 yrs.  
Fiskdale Branch



Antoinette and Roger Dussault  
5 and 3 yrs., Lower Mill.



Henry, Jr. and Theresa Lemontagne  
Lower Mill



Rowland Coderre  
Lower Mill



Raymond Provost 7 mos.  
Weave Room



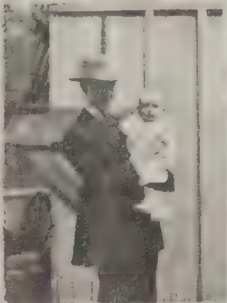
Elaine Claire Salva  
2 yrs., Spinning Dept.



Norman Peter Craite  
6 months, Dye House



Germaine Patenaude  
2 1/2 yrs., Twisting Dept.



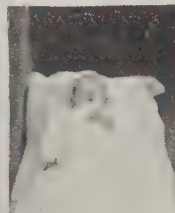
Roland Marchesault  
7 mos., Finishing Room.



Howard E. Chaso, 6 mos.  
Machine Shop



Normand Patenaude  
3 yrs. 8 mos. Weave Room



Norma Plimpton  
3 mos., Engineering.



Jeannette Rheume  
3 yrs. Weave Room



Bertha Langlais, 3 yrs.  
Twisting Room



Roy Joseph Daisy  
1 yr. Central Mills



Bernard Jalbert, 3 yrs.  
Fiskdale Branch



Norman Pelletier, 19 mos.  
Finishing Room



Jean Louise Buckley  
14 mos. Carpenter Shop



Catherine Chaso  
2 yrs. 9 mos.  
Machine Shop



Lillian Cartier  
3 yrs.  
Fiskdale Branch



Walter and Billy Connors  
4 and 2 yrs. Finishing Room



Norman Leduc  
9 mos. Finishing Room



Doris Bonneau  
3 yrs., Fiskdale Branch



Mary Gallagher, 5 yrs.  
Spinning Dept.



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## A General View of Hamilton Field on Carnival Day



### The Exhibit Tent



### Safety Record

How about our Safety Record? Well, we can't say that "it couldn't be better" but in the last few months it has been very good. There have been only a few lost time accidents in the last three months and none of these have been very serious. We haven't even had any bad blood poisoning cases lately. There must be a reason for this and the only possible thing that can account for it is that Hamilton Folks are being more careful than they used to be. Keep it up, believe us it pays. It is natural to think that accidents might happen to some one else but not to us. Don't believe it though. Watch out for yourself. If accidents happen somebody has got to be the victim and it might be you just as well as the next fellow.

#### HAD HIS DOUBTS

Willie—"Hello! Why are you standin' here in front of the office you got fired from last week? Waitin' to get taken back?"

Jimmie—"Not much! I just wanted to see if they was still in business."

Tobacconist (to new boy)—"I'm startin' you in at five dollars a week, but you'll get more as soon as you know the ropes."

"Just one more glass, boys, and then we'll all go home," said the dishwasher as he laid down the soap.

## Hamilton Club Carnival Biggest Day Ever

As reported by the local papers "a fine time was had by all." For the first time Hamilton Field was dressed for a real big party. The weather man didn't forget the Hamilton and taking everything into consideration Saturday August 28th was about as big a day as Globe village ever saw. The activities started with a parade by the Warren Cadet Band of 30 pieces on Main St. They then marched up to Hamilton Field where already there was a tremendous crowd waiting to start the day and from then on the Band kept music in the air pretty steadily all afternoon.

The Athletic events started promptly at two o'clock with the running of the Half Mile Road race and continued until about five-thirty only being interrupted by the Style show of Hamilton Goods.

The results of the events were as follows:

Half Mile Road Race—won by George Larochelle; second, Ernest Demers.

One Hundred Yard Dash—won by Alfred Berry; second, George Larochelle.

Fifty Yard Dash—won by Louise Dion; second, Helen Damion.

Three-legged Race—won by Ernest Demers and Alfred Berry; second, Albert Bonin and George Larochelle.

Pipe Race—won by Jos. Cournoyer; second, Ernest Demers.

Ice Cream Eating Contest—won by Jeannette Gauthier; second, Helen Damion.

Pie Eating Contest—won by Ernest Lavallee; second, Stanley Murski.

Nail Driving Contest—won by Jeannette Gauthier; second, Helen Damion.

Obstacle Race—won by Alfred Berry; second, Arthur Whiteoak.

Balloon Race—won by Helen Damion; second, Louise Dion.

Blindfold Race—won by Jeannette Gauthier; second, Jeannette Collette.

Pillow Fight—won by George Larochelle; second, Ernest Demers.

The Winchester Wagon which was given away to the holder of the lucky ticket was won by Frank Harvey of the Weave Room.

At the large tent where a display of Hamilton-made Dress Fabrics was arranged a large platform had been erected and twice during the afternoon several Hamilton girls exhibited dresses made entirely of Hamilton Goods. Each of the five girls had two dresses to show and this part of the program proved to be of the greatest interest as each time the models were shown, a crowd of at least 4000 gathered around. William Olney announced the fabrics being shown and told of the interesting qualities concerning them. The girls who showed these Hamilton Dress fabrics were, Misses Irene Salva, Victoria Chiesla, Elaine Farquhar, Catherine Rielly, and Eva Simpson.

There was a large rest tent fitted out with comfortable chairs and in a smaller tent nearby our nurse Mrs. Hart held forth in charge of First Aid arrangements.

The evenings program commenced when the local boys entered the ring for a few snappy boxing bouts. All the exhibitions were well worth watching and the crowd was very enthusiastic. Manager Russell was kept on the jump and ran things off like clock work. The results of the bouts were as follows, the winner of each bout receiving a gold medal for his watch chain.

#### 118-LB. CLASS

Harry Benfield won on a foul from Harry Farquhar, in the third.

Walter Peters knocked out George Duquette in the first.

Walter Peters won from Harry Benfield on points.

### Boxing Matches



#### 130-LB. CLASS

"Pete" Walsh and Wilfred Gendron fought a three round draw.

#### 145-LB. CLASS

Carl Lofgren beat Wilfred Gauthier on points.—3 rounds.

After the boxing the dance orchestra tuned up and the large dance platform which had been erected began to draw the crowd. The floor was crowded from 8.30 until 11.15 when a slight shower scattered the crowd and closed the activities for the day.

The spectacle of Hamilton Field illuminated at night was one that will long be remembered and in fact the whole day will be long remembered as one of the Hamilton Clubs greatest times.

It was an outraged traffic cop who addressed himself to a certain fellow who had held up a string of automobiles several blocks in length.

"Can't yer go any faster?" he roared. "Yes," was the calm response of the driver of the antiquated flivver. "I can, but I don't want to leave the car."

"Have a cigar, old man." "No thanks, my boy! I've sworn off smoking for good."

"Well, put one in your pocket for tomorrow!"



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## Weave Room



Introducing Miss Vita Perron of the Weave Room who is an active member of the Hamilton Club and who gets into all of our social activities with good spirit. She was a member of the Dance committee and Assistant Chairman of the Athletic committee for our Carnival.

Miss Dorilla Lachapelle is back amongst us again after several weeks out on account of eye trouble.

Mr. Adams, weaver, has accepted a position in Detroit, Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harvey motored to Forest Park, Springfield recently.

Mr. Adelard Martin attended a dance in Union, Connecticut.

Mr. George Patenaude has built himself a new 5-tube Browning Drake Radio set.

Miss Jessie Gerry of Worcester was the guest of Miss Vita and Miss Elizabeth Perron over the week-end.

Mr. A. Proulx has purchased a Ford Touring Car.

Mr. Arthur Bachand of Department No. 6 was married Labor Day to Miss Viola Corriveau of School Street at Notre Dame Church. All the friends of the young couple wish them the best of luck in their new venture. They will reside in a newly furnished home on School Street.

Mr. Wilfred Julian a dog fancier has taken up the breeding of German Police dogs.

Miss Rose Loranger was tendered a surprise party on her 27th birthday at the Recreation Room. Miss Loranger was presented a diamond ring by her many friends. The gift was presented by little Miss Jeanette Richard seven year old cousin of Miss Loranger followed by a short speech by Miss Lillian Guertin. The evening was enjoyed with games and dancing. Music was furnished by the Gibraltar Orchestra.

The following persons attended the silver anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Omer Mathieu. Miss Mary Duhamel, Olive Mathieu, Irene Mathieu, Rosilda Martin, Gertrude Proulx and George Larochelle. Mr. and Mrs. Mathieu were presented a purse of silver.

Mr. Joseph Goddu and family took in the sights at Crystal Lake recently.

Mr. Eugene Galipeau enjoyed a motor trip to Webster.

Miss Mary Duhamel and Miss Mary Thibeault spent the week-end at Webster Lake recently.

Miss Agnes Lockhart and Mr. Amedie Lockhart spent the week-end in Springfield. The trip was made by automobile.

Uncle Sam was strengthened by two additional sailors recently when Miss Ida Chapedelain and Miss Rose Gagnon donned white sailor suit outfits and went for a walk up Sturbridge road. Fairer sailors no one has seen. How about it boys?

Mr. and Mrs. Myziel LaPlante spent the week-end in Springfield, recently.

## Credit Union

The Credit Union offers to its members a loan service whereby a member can borrow money for any provident purpose. There is no better place to borrow money for Hamilton Folks than right at their own Credit Union where they know that they are not dealing with loan sharks and where their good name and character are of value. Consider the advantages of taking out a small loan for paying for your coal when you want it or paying cash for what you get instead of installments. The interest on loans goes back into the pockets of the Credit Union members who have shares. Credit Union loans are only made for use for sensible purposes and only to those who in the judgment of the Credit Committee are responsible enough to pay the loan back as they promise.

## Hamilton Girls



Miss Rose Gagnon, left, whose favorite pastime is dancing and Miss Janviere Gauthier, right, who recently won the Ladies Single Tennis Tournament there by establishing her as our Tennis Champ.

## Two Little Girls From the Twisting Room



Among the many popular and attractive girls in the Twisting room are Cora Racine and Orphelia Gaumond. Part of the fun on one of their week-end holidays was in taking pictures and this is one of the poses.

## Spinning

David Simpson, Jr., has accepted a position of Section Hand in No. 2 Spinning Room.

Joseph Dion, Leopold Langlais and Beatrice Langlais are new comers in No. 2 Spinning Room.

Elzear Ravenelle recently entertained Mr. and Mrs. Henry Laponce of Woonsocket. Mr. Laponce was foreman of No. 1 Spinning Room a few years ago.

Herbert Peters is back at work after spending a week's vacation at Westfield, N. Y., on the shores of Lake Erie. Herbert sprung another surprise on his return. He left with his Essex touring car and returned with a 1927 Ford sedan.

George Bourassa and John Pollard both of Department 2 are now owners of new cars. A Chevrolet sedan in each case being their choice.

Mary Gilliespie is now back at work after two weeks' sickness.

Gertie Reilly of Department 3 spent her vacation around Syracuse, N. Y.

## Curfew Shall Not Ring Tonight

Dick Collins, watchman at the middle mill and the one who rings the mill bell morning, noon and night almost made a bad slip the other night.

Dick has got used to ringing the bell at 4:45 and although we have been working until 5:00 o'clock for quite a while now he must have been thinking about the girl he met on his vacation.

At 4:43 he stood under the rope, watch in hand ready to toll. A passer-by asked in surprise what time it was, Dick replied: "Two minutes to go," but when the passer-by replied with a grin, "So's your old man" Dick suddenly saw daylight and tried to sneak out just as if nothing had happened.

First Girl—"I think it's perfectly terrible the way you lead men on."

Second Girl—"Lead men on? Don't make me laugh. It's all I can do to hold them back."

## Central Mills



Andrew Miscook Overseer of the Spinning Room will know doubt be surprised when he sees this picture. When Andrew was only 16 years old he gave this picture to a friend way down in R. I., but he never thought that it would be sent to the Hamiltonian. Andrew would like to know if anyone has an old car they would like to sell CHEAP. He is not particular what kind it is as long as it is not a Ford.

Mrs. Pion is now able to be back having been out sick for several months.

Mrs. Boiteau is also back after being out for two months.

Ida Burke is the latest one to have her hair bobbed, Ida claims she likes it very much.

Valida Caplette has the latest style bobbed hair, it can be worn either shingled or boyish. Vilda prefers the latter on hot days.

Dave Mitchell and Bill Hutchinson claimed to have the best garden lots but, they are not the only ones who think so, as the other night when they went down there they found that some one had taken several squashes, and had dug several hills of potatoes. Bill would like to know who it was as he would like to return the empty bag which they left half filled with his potatoes.

## Yard Department

Joseph Cloutier of Department No. 12 has purchased a Ford Touring Car. Last Sunday while returning from berry picking the car stalled and refused to go. Phil decided that she needed gas so after walking about a mile he secured a gallon but that failed, so Phil had to be towed home a distance of about 15 miles. It is reported that Cloutier has brought suit against the dealer for selling him a piece of junk.

## QUALIFIED

An Irishman applied for a job at a power plant.

"What can you do?" asked the chief.

"Almost anything, sor," said the Irishman.

"Well," said the chief, a bit of a joker, "you seem to be all right, could you wheel out a barrow of smoke?"

"Sure, fill it up for me."

As a distinguishing mark we suggest that the next issue of air mail stamps be printed on fly paper.



## Finishing Room

Alice Marchessault was transferred to Mr. McLean's department on August 8th.

"Bidge" Paulhus reports having a good time on his two weeks Automobile Trip through New York State, and Canada.

Louis Gagnon was out sick the week of August 9th.

Mary Lachapelle was bridesmaid at the wedding of her brother and Louise Lapointe on Labor Day.

"Pete" Leduc and family enjoyed one of the famous shore dinners at Rocky Point last Sunday.

Joe Laughnane enjoyed his vacation at Humarock, and other points of interest on the South Shore. He saw the capture of a rum runner, by the local Coast Guard, on one of the days of his stay.

"Deda" is getting worried, her party was held up by the State Police, two Sundays in succession, but, why worry "Deda" you escaped the other fifty Sundays, and what about your week day rides!

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Connors attended the wedding of Mrs. Connors cousin, William Lachapelle on Labor Day.

Eugene Lange left the Company's employment on August 11th.

Ora Leduc, Rose Fierro and Aldea Gaulin are temporarily employed in the department.

Jennie Lofgren is back with us again, after an absence of 3 months.

Lizzie Herber was out sick for a few days in August.

Rebecca Chauvin, one of our old hands, was with us for a few days last month.

Aldea Ravenelle and Mary Jacques were out sick for a couple of days.

John Coyle, William Lowney and Robert Bannister, students at the Bradford Duffee Textile School of Fall River—Class of 1927,—were visitors at the Carnival. Mr. Coyle's pet hobby is riding Roller Coasters, but he rides in only the most thrilling ones, he has tried nearly all the highest ones around the various resorts, Cecilia Fallon can tell you about some of them.

Josephine Dumas and Lottie Murphy, with the former's sister, Mrs. McDonald, of Grosvenordale, spent the holiday at Narragansett Pier.

Walter Grimes attended the wedding of a friend in Webster, recently.

Elaine Farquhar, Catherine Reilly and Myra Knowles were shopping in Worcester on August 21st.

## Burling Room

Miss Rose Gillespie enjoyed a motor trip to Narragansett Pier recently.

Miss Clara Hefner entertained friends from Providence over the week-end.

Miss Catherine O'Hara visited her sister in Pittsfield the first two weeks of August.

Mrs. Marie Proulx is a new mender in the Burling Room.

Mrs. Emma Beaudreault attended the wedding of her cousin Miss Corrinne Laramie to George Booker at North Oxford.

## Department 5

Mrs. Irene Cournoyer and Mrs. Marchessault are back with us in Dept. No. 5.

Miss Elizabeth Morrissey was out a few days on account of sickness.

George Larochelle won the 1st prize in the half mile race which was a suit case and it came in very handy for him because he had it full when he went home. He also won the 100-yd. dash and the pillow fight.

## Finishing Room

We are reminded that we will shortly be enjoying the nice long winter evenings hugging the radiator, when we hear Albert Potvin asking the different Radio fans every morning, what luck they had the night previous.

Arthur Leduc and family spent the Holiday with friends in Plainville, Conn.

Nellie Brennan, Mary Lachapelle and Clarinda Pelletier, attended a shower given one of their girl friends in Webster, recently.

Myra Knowles spent the week of August the 27th, visiting friends in New Bedford.

There is a rumor that one of our good looking girls has consented to make the best fellow in the world happy, sometime during the end of October, but as we did not hear it from the young lady herself, we refrain from mentioning names.

Mr. Durgin spent part of his vacation motoring in Vermont, he was fortunate in seeing the President, but as Mr. Durgin is not a politician, he had no excuse for shaking Mr. Coolidge's hand.

Foreman—"Why are you late this morning?"

New Boy—"Because the bell rang before I got here."

## Playmates



Adele and Evlyn the inseperable. There would be no logic in showing a picture of one of these girls alone as they are very seldom seen separately. Adele Szupryna and Evlyn Chouinard are two girls from the Spinning department who even have the same pet.

## Lower Mill

Nellie Kershaw and Harold Thayer of Providence, R. I., are visiting Miss Kershaw's father, Robert Kershaw, High Street for a few weeks.

At a meeting of the Soccer Committee of the Hamilton Club it was decided not to run a team this season owing to the lack of material for a team here.

If the boys here wish to play department soccer or practice they can secure the equipment by applying to Mr. Percy Whiteoak, Chairman of the Soccer Committee.

Ovila Donais is a lover of steak sandwiches so to make sure he would have some to carry for his lunches, he put a couple of pounds in the ice chest on Sunday night but on Monday morning the steak had disappeared so Ovila had to eat bananas.

Mr. Richard Yates, Overseer in Dept. 1 has purchased the cottage at Cedar Lake in Sturbridge from Mr. Arthur Boyer the former owner.

## Office

Howard Freeman of the Stores Office resigned his position to accept one in Hartford, Conn. Mr. Carl Morse is taking his place.

Olga Page motored to Putnam one Sunday recently—was it in a Hudson, eh?

"Let George do it"—yes that's what Mary C. Casey is doing these nights—allowing George to teach her how to drive that new Chrysler.

Among the vacationists this past month were the following:

Mrs. E. C. Brennan, Cedar Pond; Miss Lelia A. Guptill, Rockport, Mass; Mr. J. H. Wilcock, Weymouth, Mass.

Life is mostly froth and bubble;  
Two things stand like stone:  
Kindness in another's trouble  
Courage in our own.

It is reported that knee length shirts have reduced street car accidents 50 per cent.

Wouldn't it be fine if accidents could be prevented entirely.—*Buffalo Bisson.*

## Fiskdale



This young lady is at present employed at Fiskdale and they say she still loves a bottle of soda.

Cheer up Eddie! It's no disgrace to be beaten by a fellow a foot taller than yourself; you tried and that's worth something.

Joe Brunnell and Ray Biron had entered for the ½ mile race at the Carnival but arrived on Hamilton field after the race was over, too bad, Joe wanted that suitcase for a lunch box when he goes fishing and Ray wanted to pin it on the back of his new twin 3 for a travelling trunk.

Louise Dion who won the 50-yard dash for Ladies seemed disappointed at winning it so easily, we believe she would have liked it better if she had been made to work harder for it.

Bennie Cotton of Worcester who is in the scrap iron business and who does a lot of business with our company found a pocket book that contained eighty dollars while he was here on business one day. He returned the pocketbook to the owner who was found after Bennie had reported his find to the office and several other places. As the pocketbook was found on the street the owner was pretty lucky that it fell into honest hands.

Eddie Collins who has been out sick quite a while is back in the Machine shop at his old job.

## Central Mills Boss



Roland Poutre is our Future Second Hand. Roland is only an oiler now but he is in hopes that before many years that he will be able to take his father's place as Second Hand.





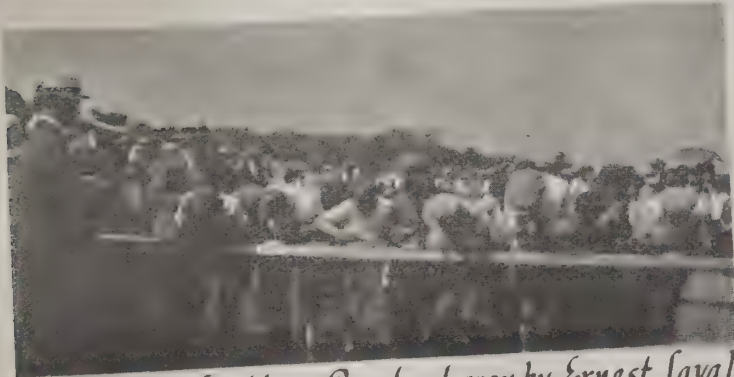
# A Few Carnival Pictures - August 28, 1926...



*Louise Dion winning the 50 yard dash..*



*The Nail Driving Contest for Girls...*



*Boys Pie Eating Contest won by Ernest Lavallee.*



*Demers and Berry winning 3 legged Race..*



*Winning the Pipe Race in a walk.*



*Hammond and Berry in the Pillow Fight.*

## Tennis Tournaments

The largest Tennis Tournaments in the history of the Hamilton Club are being played this season. A great deal of interest is shown and the tournaments are proving a big success.

The tournament for Mixed Doubles was won by Esther Barnes and Frank Williams. The finals were played between this team and Cecilia Fallon and Armand Proulx, and although Bessie Hogan and her cohorts rooted hard for "Cil" to win they could not put it over, as Esther and Frank had just a little too much tennis for them, and they won the match 6-3 and 7-5. A good match in this tournament was the one where Janievere Gauthier and John Roan carried Miss Barnes and Williams to three sets before being put out. One of the most exciting matches was between Bessie Hogan and Emile Berthiaume against Victoria Chiesla and Bernard O'Donnell. This match was for blood and was only won by "Vic" and Bernard after three hard fought sets. The comedy match was staged between Alice Richard and Ham Smith against Irene

Salva and Ira Orr. The first set dragged on to nine games a piece. The night was hot, neither side could win, so they decided to go to Lavallee's and have a drink. When they came back Ham and Alice proceeded to run out eight games for the match.

The Men's Doubles was won by Alfred Berthiaume and Kenneth Crossman. They had plenty of competition in all their matches but always had the fight to win out. They played the finals against Jack Walsh and Frank Williams and upset the dope by winning 6-4, 3-6, 6-2. Emile Berthiaume and Romeo Duclos also gave the victors a hard battle taking the first set from them 6-0 and only losing the next two after a hard scrap by the scores of 8-6 each set. Two other good matches were between the Williams-Walsh combination and Proulx and Bonin. Jack and Frank finally won after losing the first set and being behind on the second. Probably the best tennis of the tournament was between Proulx and Bonin against O'Donnell and Lavallee. They played three close sets before Armand and

Albert won out. Some beautiful shots were made on both sides.

On Monday night, August 31st, a special match was arranged. Esther Barnes and Josephine Dumas played Bessie Hogan and Cecilia Fallon. Bessie and Cecilia won after two hard sets, both ending with the score 9-7. This match afforded fun for the players and the gallery, too. Josephine tried fancy diving and couldn't seem to organize with Esther, the court wasn't large enough for them both, and for the benefit of her ardent rooters, Bessie sang 'Darling I Am Growing Old'—Bessie and Cecilia said the chocolates sure were great.

The Ladies Singles was a Humdinger! The girls got very excited and played for everything there was in the game. The finals were worth going miles to see. Janievere Gauthier won by defeating Cecilia Fallon 2-6, 9-7 and 6-2. It was a great match and the large gallery enjoyed every minute of the battle. Long rallies were the rule and splendid recoveries and placements were made by both girls. This is Janievere's first year at

tennis and she has picked up the game remarkably well and has all the marks of making a great player. Other fine matches were played between Esther Barnes and Cecilia Fallon and Victoria Chiesla and Cecilia. Both matches were won by Cecilia, but only after being extended in each case to three sets.

The Men's singles are now in progress, the first round being nearly completed. There are thirty two entries, and some very interesting tennis should take place before this tournament is completed.

## Stores Office

*For You a Rose:* When Mae breezed in the office one morning this week, she found deposited on her desk, a beautiful white rose. The air was just full of question marks and the telephone immediately put in use and without any satisfaction she quietly settled down to work, with the perfume of the rose ever accompanying her. But at last, while admiring this beautiful flower, there bloomed within it, the face of the giver, which proved to be none other than Carl, our new worker.



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## Champions



This year the Hamilton Club did not enter a baseball team in the Triangle Industrial League as has been the custom for the last eight. It was thought advisable not to do this for two reasons; the lack of experienced players strong enough to be on an even footing with the other city teams and the small support given the Hamilton team for the last two years by the general public. To keep up the baseball spirit a league was formed within the plant comprised of four teams. These represented and the players were from the Upper, Middle, Lower and Maintenance divisions of the factory. The games of five innings each were played on Monday and Tuesday evenings. The team pictured above came through the schedule with the largest win column and are the champions of the mill. The Lower Mill took second place with the Middle and Upper in the next respective positions. This type of baseball gave four times the number of playing enthusiasts the opportunity to don a glove and swing a bat that the single main team offered. It brought out to light once more some of the old timers who had imagined they were through. Much credit should be extended Ricky Morrissey for the manner in which he had his opponents breaking their backs over his shoots; his mound work was good. Although Joe Brown's arm is decidedly brittle his batting eye was perfect which may be also said of Joe Black's covering of right field for the Upper Mill. Mr. Gallagher who umpired all the games must not be forgotten. His work showed not only an intensive study of the official rules but also a close attention to fine points of position when declaring a runner safe or out. Gallagher stood plenty of umpire baiting but he faced it all with a determination for the right of his own judgment when close decisions made it necessary at times to decide by intuition rather than perception. Of the team above much praise must be bestowed upon Davy Simpson for his home runs and John Curboy for his spectacular fielding.

The success of the league was due in no small measure to the manner in which Buckingham, Ravenell, Knowles and Connors handled their teams. Let us have another next year. The Maintenance are the Champions this year, who will be next?

## Returns to Germany

Henrich Feustel, for the past three years and a half connected with the dyeing department under Mr. Hager left us this last month to return to Germany whence he came to this country. He intends to supplement his dyeing knowledge which he attained in a most practical way here with an intensive course of study. Henry came to us a typical stranger in a strange land with not any too good command of the English language, but it was but a short time before he began to master it and to use it fluently. He was a diligent chap always attentive to his work and anxious to learn the intricacies of the science of dyeing. He was well versed in current events and a very interesting conversationalist. We miss Henry and hope that he makes a huge success at his studies back home.

## IT'S OLD BUT HONORABLE

We don't care if you have heard it before. It's a good story and we're going to reprint it. So here goes:

"When did the robbery occur?" the cross-examining lawyer asked the witness.

"I think—" he began.

"We don't care what you think—we want to know what you know," remarked the lawyer.

"Well, I may as well get off the stand, then," said the witness. "I can't talk without thinking. I'm no lawyer."

Ruth McMaster had her vacation in installments this year, in a previous HAMILTONIAN, we told you about her spending a week at Alum Pond, the week of the 19th she spent in Springfield, Hartford, and Albany.

## Saving Time

There are a hundred different ways of saving time about your work and most of them are well worth learning, but saving time at the expense of Safety is downright foolishness. Many people give the excuse to themselves when they do something that they know is dangerous, that it saves time to do it that way or that it is easier. A bad cut or bruise, a lost finger, an eye or limb are pretty steep prices to pay for a little time saved. Do everything that you have to do the safe way and have no regrets. Experience is cruel, be careful by habit.

## Fishing

Pete Perry had the blues for a few days last month. Pete works in the Crab Room and was about his work when something happened that made Pete realize that he had lost some "very close" friends. What do you know, but as Pete was bending over his Crab, his fake teeth jumped right out of his mouth, the abode that had quartered them for many years. He made a desperate grab to get the runaways but presto, pronto and quicker than you can tell it they scampered down the drain pipe. Pete looked dismayed and scratched his head for an idea. He got one quickly and brought it into practice in short order. He made a wire hook and attached it to a string and began to fish, but, wise old teeth, they wouldn't bite, no siree. They had done all the biting they wanted to for a while. Overworked they claimed; three square meals a day and a chew of B-L all day; now for a rest, complete and detached from the daily monotonous grind.

Pete was relentless. He fished and he fished but with nary a nibble; and he fished with more of a prayer than a swear. Finally friends came to his aid with suggestions as to casting, baiting and the right time of the day to fish. He tried all the strategy he or his friends knew but to no avail. Jim Ryan, the foreman in charge of the room at last came to the rescue and called out the right honorable piping brigade who right readily broke up the combination and unwound the mystery, and in short order took the teeth from their place of hiding. The owner welcomed the prodigals back with rejoicing and after a general scouring and polishing they were once more committed to an indefinite term of hard labor.

## A FAIR START

College Grad's Mother—"Here's a letter from our boy at last."

The Old Man—"Has he got a job yet?"

Mother—"Yes, he's washing dishes in a restaurant."

The Old Man—"That's good. He told us he was gonna clean up a million."—Life.

William Proulx was out a few days this past month with a severe cold.

## Our Editor



Our worthy Editor-in-Chief, Mr. Wulfinf Grant, is away on a vacation slamming golf pills around the Woodstock Links and indulging in other mild dissipations.

Consequently, his subordinates on the staff of the HAMILTONIAN are struggling through this issue under somewhat adverse conditions.

Mr. Grant has been connected with the HAMILTONIAN either as Editor or some other important capacity ever since its inception. During all that period we fail to recall a single instance where he has ever said anything about himself and we feel that now is the time to include a short sketch about him.

"Pete", as he is affectionately called by his intimates was a sophomore at the University of Illinois when this country declared war on Germany. He immediately enlisted in the aviation corps and served the entire seventeen months to the close of hostilities. He was five months at Taylor Flying Field in Montgomery, Alabama and completed his aviation training at the Wilbur Wright Field in Dayton, Ohio, with the rank of Pursuit-Pilot. He now holds the rank of Lieutenant in the Reserve Flying Corps of the United States Army.

Mr. Grant has worked in every department in the mill and this experience together with his knowledge of engineering has ably fitted him to carry on his duties as assistant engineer of the mill. He is also Traffic Manager, member of the Credit Committee and President of the Club.

Miss Bessie Hogan wishes to express her heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the members of the Finishing Room who so kindly remembered her in her recent bereavement.

Among the Office folks who visited the Eastern States Exposition were the following; Jimmie Orr, Carl Morse, Charles Johnson, William Loring, Miriam Davis, Agnes Prendergast, Mary C. Casey, Gustave Peterson.



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## NEWS GATHERERS

Every employee of the Hamilton Woolen Company

FREE TO EMPLOYEES

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## Youth



Three guesses—who am I? This picture was taken in the gay nineties when Sol Labonte ran a photographic studio in Southbridge. It is of a person with whom we are all well acquainted. From the manner in which the shoes are carried in hand and the bright, well pleased and circumspect expression we might infer that the subtleties of a silent

and cautious entry, the aftermath of a late evening, were in the first stages of development. Once more—who is it?

## Dye House

Frank Domian is rejoicing over the birth of a baby girl. However his rejoicing took a different turn when asked if he intended to pass around the cigars. He said they came so often that he could not afford to do this.

Harry Widdowson received news from his daughter, Grace, of the birth of a baby girl. She now resides in Spencer and he expects to soon run over in his car to see her.

Peter Craite was sick the other day and had to leave work and go home. It has been suggested that the probable cause was the indulgence in too much spaghetti of which he daily partakes of in huge quantities.

Hilary Cuddihy had the misfortune to run into another car while running along on the Danielson highway and from all accounts came out second best. He is expecting his car back soon from the repair man and we hope he has better luck next time.

"I thought surely you would sell that lot of sausages," said the grocer to his salesman. "You praised it highly enough."

"I praised it too darn much, that's the trouble. It overheard me and wagged its tail."

John Breeze of Department 8 was taken over to St. Vincent's Hospital in Worcester. He had the misfortune to run a splinter into his finger and blood poison set in. We hope Jack will soon be all right.

Paul Sharschmidt and Fred Farrow are now chasing bears in the New Hampshire woods. They said it was better to chase bears than flappers.

Adam Printkielewicz came into work lately with a switch of lady's hair that had evidently just been shorn. It was something to be cherished. It either dropped from under the lady's arm or her hat. It was the color of fresh pulled molasses candy, plenty of it and about eighteen inches long. Owner may have it by consulting Adam and presenting herself in person. He wants to be sure the right person gets it by matching what was found to what remains. The right lady is sure to get it as Adam is an expert on matching *swatches* to standard.

Friends and co-workers of the late John E. Hogan, Department 8, were grieved to learn his sudden death September 25th. He was well liked by all as he possessed a kindly disposition. He was in his 50th year and had been employed in the Can Room for the past five years. Of late years his health was not robust, but he managed to be at his daily work. He died at the home of his sisters. His sisters, brothers and relatives have the profound sympathy of their many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Osa Matte celebrated the 10th anniversary of their wedding. They were married September 19, 1916 in Sacred Heart Church. Mrs. Matte before her marriage was Miss Honorita Lazure. Their three children were present to enjoy the festivities. Vocal and instrumental numbers were rendered. The gift was an electric table lamp. Mr. Matte is employed in the drug room.

Wallace Birdsall has left the dye house to return to Lowell Textile School where he will resume his studies. This will be his third year at that school.

A. N. Badger spent his vacation trying out the hills and mountains of New Hampshire.

## Base Ball

The Hamilton Base Ball Team has finished its schedule of games for 1926 and concluded the most successful season in playing that we have had since a team was organized. The team did not start playing until July 24th, opening with the Norton team and receiving our only defeat of the season.

We won from the Millbury Collegians, New England Power Co., Jefferson Mfg. Co., Keystone A. C., and the Stafford Springs K. of C. town team. Henry Cira was our mainstay in the box having won all five games that he pitched. The men who played on our team this season and who by their consistent playing materially aided in the wins are Donais, Berry, Cira, Pleau, Clouthier, Farland, Vreeland, James Brennan, Tom Brennan, Leduc, Orr, Masi, and Gaudette.

In our last game with Stafford Springs we put across a stunt that is often told about but seldom seen. Stafford was leading 7 to 2 in the last of the ninth when our men suddenly came to life and slammed the Stafford pitcher all over the lot. We scored six runs on seven hits winning the game by an 8 to 7 score with only one man out when the winning run was scored. The small crowd present gave the team a great ovation. A sad part of the affair, however, was that Doc. Webster, Ricky Morrissey and some more of our royal rooters had just left the grounds the previous inning figuring we were in for defeat.

The attendance at our games was very poor all season and the men on our team deserved better support than they received. William Buckingham was our field manager and Joseph McNally attended to the business end of the games. Sis Peloquin umpired all the games and gave good satisfaction.

## Departments 2 and 3

One of our Star Bowlers of the spinning room team, Mr. Uldege Lavallee, section hand for Mr. Ravenelle attended the Springfield Exposition recently, also the first game of the World Series at New York between the Yankees and the St. Louis Cardinals.

Theodore Savary has purchased a new double-barrel shot gun to start his hunting season with full blast.

Miss Victoria Beaudreau attended the Springfield Exposition. It was a very good time, was her reply.

We are glad to see Miss Mary Gillespie back with us again after several weeks of severe illness.

## COULDN'T BE BETTER

"I hope they don't give my little boy any nasty nicknames in school."

"Yes, mother, they call me 'Corns.'"

"How dreadful! And why do they call you that?"

"Cause I'm always at the foot of the class."

## Top Mill

The Top Mill is usually well represented when a big soccer game is on at Pawtucket. The pork pie and tripe merchants do a big business every time they hit the town.

Joseph Firth, Robert Kershaw, John Eaves, Mr. Tate, William Kermack and Raymond Kermack attended the opening soccer game of the American League in Springfield on September 11th between Springfield and Fall River. Springfield won 3 to 1.

George Gaetjens with a party of friends motored to Worcester to attend the Police and Douglas Benefit Ball Game on Fitton Field. In the evening they attended the musical comedy *Rose Marie* at the Worcester Theater.

Zenas Henley has been out sick with the Grippe. We hope he will be back soon.

A cold could not finish Wilfred Yates. He is back at work again as chipper as ever.

Eli Allard attended the baseball game in Webster between that town and the Gibralters. Elmira Vary was there also and narrowly escaped being hit by a batted ball. Elmira had left the grandstand because it was so cold and was strolling around the grounds in the sunshine when a ball whizzed over her head just about shaving her boyish bob. However this did not change her opinion of the Webster ball players; she still thinks them very nice.

Bob Kershaw found two little pills in his dinner box a short time ago; a note with them said "Rejuvenation Pills, take one". Bob did not stop at one but took two. Shortly afterwards Bucky came along and asked Bob if he had seen any pills laying about as he had lost a few of a kind he gave his dog for mange. Bob felt very queer for a time but now appears to have returned to normal again.

The Top Mill sheiks did not miss one of the bathing beauty contests which have been held each Monday night at the Strand Theater for the past month. Now that this contest is over they are wondering how to rest their tired eyes for the rest of the winter.

## Quality Demanded



Grace Chadwick spends her working hours twisting silk. Outside she wants something that runs as smooth as silk.

This is what she got.



## Tennis Champ



The Tennis tournament conducted by the Hamilton Club came to a close September 25th. It was the most varied one ever put on by the Club. There were men's doubles, mixed doubles, ladies singles, and mens singles. There were plenty of entries for the different groups and there developed spirited competition all the way through.

Cecilia Fallon joined the ranks of the fallen champions of 1926 when she fell a victim to the steady playing of Janievère Gauthier but Frank Williams still wears the laurel wreath. Frank found the going harder this year than before. The young fellows are coming along fast and are developing along lines of real good players. They are continually at the game and that's what counts. Their playing shows it.

Frank met stiffer opposition in the semifinals against Duc Duclos than in the finals. Here's a beginner who will bear watching in another year. He took two sets from Frank but cracked in the last and deciding set. It was remarkable the way he stood up under the rain of hot shots that Frank poured into him. But "Duc" wasn't made of pyrex and just had to crack under the pressure. Even though Frank dropped two sets he showed plenty of reserve to cop the odd one and with it a ticket to the finals.

Cleo O'Donnell was Frank's opponent in the finals. Cleo went along his side of the bracket in fine style and by his consistent playing deserved the place he reached. Frank fought his way through his side with little opposition until he met the big surprise in Duclos. It was a rip roaring hot Saturday afternoon with the humidity 20 degrees above normal when Frank and Cleo met to decide the championship. Frank was a mite unsteady in the first part of every set but got himself together and pulled through a winner in three straight sets against great odds. This stamps him a real champ and he deserves all the honors that go with the championship. Cleo played a steady game and took no chances at cross shots except at the net. He seemed satisfied to return the balls without any attempt at speed or placement. Frank depended mostly on his hard drive and though effective at times he made many outs. It was a hot time and a hot contest. All three sets were overtime and took up two hours of playing time without a let-up. It was a fitting climax to an interesting tournament. Cleo lost but died hard. He will continue to build his bridges for

next year. Meanwhile Frank sits serenely on top of the tennis world of the Hamilton Club.

The season was fittingly concluded with the annual Tennis Racket and Ball in the Recreation Room. Music for dancing was furnished by the Gibraltar Orchestra and for refreshments there were cider and doughnuts. John Roan was master of ceremonies.

## Weaving

Mrs. Eva Raponcare and Miss Albertine Mercure have accepted positions in Department 6.

Mr. Albert Proulx and Wilfred Julian enjoyed a fine fishing trip to Holland Pond. They reported a fine catch of pout and also the loss of a three pound eel. Whether the last is another of their fish stories we do not know but rather doubt.

Mr. Michael Perron spent the week end at Cat Rocks exploring caves.

Mr. Roland Levesque is busy these days trying to raise a moustache. He must have become jealous of Arthur Cook. At present eight hairs have shown up on his upper lip.

John Roan of the designing room is vainly endeavoring to teach several flies he has caught to swim under water.

Miss Rose Plante was out several days on account of illness of her mother.

Miss Ida Tremblay enjoyed a show at Worcester.

While making a purchase at Laddie Lavallee's drug store recently, Mr. Adela Martin, our champion Charleston dancer, caught the strains of a famous jazz orchestra floating through the radio from Cook's Butterfly Ball Room in Springfield. Unable to resist the stirring music he gave a fine exhibition of the latest Charleston steps which will be long remembered by the large crowd of interested spectators who gathered.

Mr. Felix Raiche was out several days on account of ill health.

Miss Elizabeth Perron attended a wedding in Webster recently.

Mr. Arthur Bastien, Major of the Guard Rochambeau reports the winning of two silver loving cups at a drill in Fall River.

Mr. Frank Stratton now works in the weave room while Alvin Hyde has left to continue his studies at Lowell Textile School.

## NOT HIS FAULT

During a Y. M. C. A. talk on success, Charles M. Schwab spoke on the "anti-success spirit," and illustrated it by the following anecdote.

Two workmen were wheeling dirt in wheelbarrows. The boss went to one of them and said: "Look here, you! Your mate's wheeling four barrowloads to your one!"

"Well," snarled the workman, "don't blame me. I've told him about it half a dozen times already."

## Golf

The summer of 1926 brought a new line of sport to some of the Hamilton workers: golf. The first of the summer it was discovered that several Hamilton workers were keenly interested in the game of golf and that more were becoming so as each day went by. By the first of July there were about eighteen or twenty men spending all of their spare time at Woodstock, hard at the game. With so many people interested the logical to do was to hold a tournament. This tournament was arranged to start the first of August and to be contested at handicap match play. Eighteen players entered this tournament from all parts of the mill. When the first round had been completed nine men had been eliminated, these being Messrs. Watson, B. O'Donnell, Cornock, Crossman, E. Barnes, H. O'Donnell, W. Birdsall and Ira Orr. Swift defaulted his match. The nine remaining players completed their second round matches the following week, leaving five players to continue. The following were defeated in the second round: Laughnane, Russell, Jackson and Smith. When the third round had been completed Grant and A. Whiteoak had been eliminated leaving the following three players to carry on, P. Whiteoak, Dirlam and E. Birdsall. Whiteoak then defeated Dirlam which brought the tournament to the finals. This final round between Whiteoak and Birdsall is to be played soon. It is to be regretted that the tournament could not have been finished a little earlier so that we might give the name of the champion in this issue. However his name and picture will occupy an important place in the next, together with an account of how the championship was won. This tournament has been a great success and it is to be hoped that another year will find many more golfers in the Club and that several tournaments may be arranged.

Mr. Wilfred Julian is getting his good coon dog in trim for the coming hunting season.

Johnny Buccilli has to pay only 68 cents in taxes on his Hudson Sedan. How is that? Johnny was asked. Oh! said Johnny the assessor used very good judgment after he saw me overhauling it.

## Hash or Sausage

A young bride asked her husband to copy a radio recipe she wanted. He did his best, but got two stations at once, one of which was broadcasting the morning exercises and the other the recipe. This is what he took down.

"Hand on hips, place one cup of flour on the shoulders, raise knees and depress toes and mix thoroughly in one-half cup of milk. Repeat six times. Inhale quickly one-half teaspoonful of baking powder, lower the legs and mash two hard boiled eggs in a sieve. Exhale, breathe naturally, and sift into a bowl."

"Attention. Lie flat on the floor and roll the white of an egg backward and forward until it comes to a boil. In ten minutes remove from the fire and rub smoothly with a rough towel. Breathe naturally, dress in warm flannel and serve with soup."

## From Westville



Miss Eva Larivere of Department 6 whose hobbies are all healthy outdoor sports, especially swimming and riding, at both of which she's an expert. Miss Larivere is a willing and cheerful worker and is at all times ready to help in Hamilton Club activities.

## Spinning and Drawing

We are glad to report that the condition of Alice Buccilli is much improved after being under an operation at a Worcester hospital.

Mary Craite has just returned to Department 4 after a prolonged visit to Canada, Rochester, N. Y. and Niagara Falls.

Lillian Ouelette was given a surprise party recently in honor of her 21st birthday.

Fred Swain who has been employed at the A. O. Co. is now working in Department 4.

If business continues in No. 4 Spinning Room as at present, there is going to be a call for graphite shade stockings; one girl says she needs a clean pair every day.

Nicholas Jacobbi has left No. 4 Spinning room and is now working at the A. O. Co.

Mary Lazary is back at work after a week in New York.

We are glad to see Mathew Reilly back at his work after several weeks' absence on account of a severe cold.

Claude Arnold was confined at home for two weeks on account of sickness. We are glad to see him back with us again.

Bernard O'Donnell says that "Of all sad words of tongue or pen, the saddest are these; it might have been."

Michael Toussaint is back to work again after spending a two months vacation with his parents in Canada.

Mary Dziezet who was married September 20th has moved to Norwich, Conn. She has worked here a great many years.

Edwin Lofgren is training every night and expects to take part in several amateur boxing bouts in the near future.

Department 3 has now one more ardent radio bug. R. L. Cooper is the new DX hound.



## Smiles



With pleasure we introduce to you one of the pretty queens of the spinning room, Miss Yvette Tavernier with one of her boy friends. Who he is we do not know but we must admit she uses good judgment when she picks them.

## Office

Lelia A. Guptill, Edith Perkins, and May A. Cuddihy spent the holiday in New London, at Ocean Beach.

Alice Barnes is the newcomer in the Planning Department.

Jimmie Orr is back to work after spending his vacation in the Canadian Wilds.

The Office girls are anxious to find out who drives the Hudson that Aggie is riding around in these nights. "They were all out of step but Jim." But this Jim seems to be right in step with Aggie.

It is rumored that Mr. Sickman of the Planning Department is spending his vacation honey-mooning.

Mr. Kenneth Crossman spent two weeks this past month at the Officer's Training Camp at Fort Ethan Allen Vt.

Miss Charlotte Gallaway of the Cost Department spent the holiday in Millbury, Mass.

Stores Office folks want to know when Lelia Alice is going to invite them over to "Tea". She was quite fortunate in winning a beautiful Lustre-ware Tea Set which was raffled off this past month.

A husking-bee was held at Mr. Bazile J. Proulx's house on Canal St. the night of the 25th. A good time was had by all present. The saddest part of it all was there were no red ears found. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Bazile J. Proulx.

Somehow the bob gets 'um. Anyway it's got our little Charlotte of the Cost Department for she has had her raven tresses snipped off again. It's very becoming, indeed, Charlotte.

Clerk (to farmer who is shopping in the city)—"How about a nice bathrobe, uncle?"

Customer—"Nothin' doin' young man! When I take a bath I don't wear no clothes."

## Finishing Room

We are glad to hear that Dorilla Pelletier is progressing very favorably. She is at Memorial Hospital, Worcester suffering from a fractured hip.

Mrs. Knowles has moved from Ballard Court. She is now residing on Sayles Street.

Our sympathies are extended to Bessie Hogan on the death of her brother Jack, who passed away on September 25th.

Mary A. Coughlin was married to James W. Shaw, of Baldwinsville, on September 27th. We wish the young couple the best of luck and happiness. Mary Lachapelle was bridesmaid. This is the second time within a month, that she has acted in this capacity. If rumor is correct, she will soon require the services of a bridesmaid herself.

The department presented Mary Coughlin with a beautiful two-tone mahogany clock, at her home on the night of September 20th. There were more than fifty of her friends present, and a very enjoyable time was passed.

Kitty Moriarty also acted as bridesmaid for her sister Mary, who was married on the same day.

Ludwiga Prantkielewicz is a newcomer to the department.

Corrine Pelletier was out the week of September 20th, entertaining her sister from New Hampshire.

We are glad to have John Quirk back with us again, after an absence, through illness, of four months, he is feeling quite well again.

We hope to have Mary Ryan back with us again, very soon.

Members of the Department sent a beautiful basket of flowers to Dorilla Pelletier, who is a patient at Memorial Hospital, Worcester.

Corrine Pelletier with a party of friends went to see the "Rose Marie" show in Worcester, on September 25th.

Tom Fallon had hard luck in the "Babe Ruth Baseball Contest", he picked the team correctly, but unfortunately, his was the third envelope opened, and as there was only one prize, all he got was the honor, at that, it was some honor to be one of the thirteen who picked the correct team, out of a total of fifty-five thousand competitors.

Walter Connors attended the football game between Boston College and Catholic University of Washington, at Braves Field, Boston on October 2nd. Walter's brother plays tackle on the Catholic University team.

Albert Potvin attended the Radio Show, at the New England Fair on September 30th.

Homer Bonin attended both World Series games in New York.

Louis Gagnon, Albert Potvin, Bobby Kershaw and Arthur Leduc attended the Springfield Exposition.

Olivine Gagnon motored to Lowell on September 7th, to visit her sister who is a Nun at the Sisters of the Assumption.

*Curious*—Why do they call sail boats "she"?

*Cautious*—Because they make a better showing in the wind.

Papa was deep in a book, when his wife called, "Dan, baby has swallowed the ink. Whatever shall I do?" "Write with a pencil," was the reply.

## Where There's a Will

One of the boarders in the Hamilton Lodge who works with us like many as they advance in years has lost all his own natural teeth and consequently must now be content with the artificial variety. Unfortunately a set of these is not always suitable for all occasions. For instance this boarder found that to chew steak with the set he had was impossible. For this very purpose, therefore he bought another and honed them down to a knife edge. With these he can now masticate the toughest steak with ease. Another set has been so perfected that blue berry pie or anything wherein seeds are a nuisance may be partaken with impunity. The other day having finished his first course the teeth necessary for that were removed and deposited on a nearby plate. During the remainder of the meal through various drifts of conversation these were forgotten for the time being, and removed to the kitchen with the other cast off dishes. Their disappearance then noted a hasty and anxious pursuit and search finally found them in the rack. To guard against a recurrence of this affair he is now working on a new invention whereby on releasing from the mouth, by an elastic attachment they immediately return to a selected pocket.

In keeping with his usual summer custom Joe Orange once more enjoyed a fishing trip on the King Philip in Boston harbor. He said that this was really the best trip he had ever had the pleasure in taking. He caught so many fish that it was not necessary to buy any to bring home a plentiful supply.

Walter Rexroth is a new man in the dye house as assistant dyer to Mr. Scharschmidt. He comes here from Brooklyn, New York.

*Ardent Lover*—"Speak, oh, speak just those few words that will mean heaven to me."

*The Flapper*—"Aw, go out and shoot yourself."

## Lower Mill

Recently when the Lower Mill pond was drawn dry to repair the water wheel George Gaetjens caught a large eel near the rack of the wheel pit. This when weighed swung the Toledo pointer to six and one quarter pounds. If you have ever had the experience of catching and holding an eel of that size with your bare hands you could well imagine the trouble and excitement there would be until it was finally captured and subdued.

Sugden Busfield is once more a familiar object in the wool room, returning from an extended trip to England.

Bill Escott has sold his car to Walter Fielier who is now located in Passaic. Walter has been experiencing considerable difficulty in securing New Jersey registration plates, the trouble being the absence of an important signature which its owner deems too dignified to grace a certain necessary legal document. However let us hope that Walter has now surmounted all difficulties of this nature and pursues his course unhindered along the New Jersey highways.

Alfred Berry has the sales agency for an ice fishing tilt. This is a special and patented tilt which he will be glad to show anyone interested.

A letter received from Harry Mason who now lives in Miami, Florida gives much information on the devastation and excitement caused by the recent hurricane. True to form he came through in fine style, house and self intact. Harry has usually played in good luck and feared but few things as Everett Freeman can attest who unknowingly was the recipient of a wild ride on a buckboard under the seat of which was fifty pounds of dynamite. This letter also stated that Hilda Busfield was well.

## Dismantled



When our coal crane needed repairs and old parts replaced it was moved within handy reach of the machine shop. Here you see it with a new slewing gear ready to be installed. There were new

stay bolts placed in the boiler and the tubes in the top head were expanded. As is shown when all this was done it was necessary to elevate the whole crane a few feet.



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## Busy at the Wood Pile



The company cut up and sold to the employees this year considerable cord wood. The fact that this service of the company's was appreciated was shown by the fact that 48 cords of stove length wood was sold and about 15 cords of the four foot length also. 17 chopping blocks were also sold. The picture above shows the men at work in the Power House yard sawing up the wood into stove lengths after it had been drawn in from the wood lot. The Fordson tractor was used for power to drive the big circular saw.

Paul Potvin who has worked in the Dye House for a long time and who is well known to everyone in that end of the plant has left the company and will live with his sister in New York State. We will all be sorry to not have Paul with us. He has not been feeling very well lately and we hope the change will do him good.

The Credit Union Office on Mill St. is open for business every day that the Mill works from 4.30 P. M. till 5 P. M. and on Saturdays from 11 o'clock until 12 o'clock.

## Small Beginnings

The largest percentage of the cases of infection by far are caused by the small cut, scratch or bruise, very rarely does it happen that a large cut results in blood poisoning or other infection. The reason for this is easily found, in the case of large cuts the blood flows freely cleaning out the wound and then the wound is usually treated and dressed properly. Small cuts do not get the advantage of a free flow of blood and quite often are neglected in respect to proper dressing. Small cuts are just as dangerous from an infection point of view as the large ones although this is hard to appreciate. Scarcely anyone would go about with a large deep cut or wound exposed to infection and dirt but it is quite common for this to happen in the case of small cuts and scratches. This matter of infection is one of industries' greatest problems and probably more time is lost due to infection and blood poisoning than by any other cause. Why not give nature a chance by seeing to it that every time the skin is broken in any way that the wound is properly sterilized and dressed so as to prevent the entrance of trouble?

The Soccer Football fans from the Hamilton were well represented at the big league games in Springfield, Mass., a few Saturdays ago when Joe Buckley, Percy Whiteoak, Billy Bates, Davy Simpson, Bill Kermack and Teddy McLean attended. Bill Kermack furnished a lot of amusement for the crowd by demonstrating the effects of his Scotch training when it came to getting the use of a Score card without having to buy one.

The Southbridge Water Supply Company are laying water pipes which will connect the Main supply line on West St. with the supply line at the corner of Pleasant St. To do this they had to dig a trench through the Power House yard and down under the bed of the river. The pipe comes up from in under the river directly in front of the Engineering office and will run up West Main St. to Pleasant St.

## Club Meeting

The Hamilton Club held its first meeting of the Winter season on Monday, October 18th; plans were made for the coming season's athletic and social activities. The Club unanimously voted to organize a bowling league for both men and women and the president appointed the following committee to take charge of this popular winter sport.

The Club also voted to enter a team in the town Industrial League. A committee was appointed to make arrangements for and conduct dances and social events during the next few months and this committee consists of the following. Reports of the Chairmen of the committees on the various summer sports were read and the Treasurer gave a report of the financial affairs of the Club. After the business meeting an entertainment was provided through the kindness of The Edwards Co. who loaned the Club an Orthophonic Victrola and a selection of records. A program of concert music was first played which was followed by a program of dance music. Dancing continued until about eleven o'clock.

Evelyn Allaire has started to work in Mr. Cornock's office. She is doing the work that Alice Richards used to do before she took over the job left vacant when Irene Salva left to get married.

## Thanksgiving Day



The Pilgrims came across the sea,  
And never thought of you and me;  
And yet it's very strange the way  
We think of them Thanksgiving Day.

We tell their story old and true  
Of how they sailed across the blue,  
And found a new land to be free  
And journeyed many a day and night.

Every child knows well the tale  
Of how they bravely turned the sail,  
And built their homes quite near the sea,  
To worship God as they thought right.

The people think that they were sad,  
And grave; I'm sure they were glad—  
They made Thanksgiving Day—that's  
fun—  
We thank the Pilgrims, every one.

ANNETTE WYNNE.

## Americanization Classes Start Soon

The season of 1926 and 1927 will be the eighth consecutive year that English Classes have been conducted by this Company and we have every reason to believe that this season will be a bigger success than the preceding ones.

Our older employees, who have attended these classes in the past we will be very glad to welcome into the classes again and our new employees who are desirous of learning more about the English Language are urged to join at once. Two hours a week is not very much time to give to the class-room and the benefits derived will be much appreciated in the years to come.

During the past seven seasons the percentage of attendance has been unusually high, and the interest shown by the pupils is a source of much satisfaction to all who have been co-operating to make the classes a success.

Classes will be conducted along the same plan as they have in the past, namely beginners, intermediates, and advanced classes. The same teachers who taught the classes last year have been secured this year, which will be good news to last year's classes who are continuing this year.

A number of employees attending the classes have been helped to get their citizenship papers and have also been helped by their teachers in matters where the pupils have felt that the best party to go to was their teacher.

During the school year various kinds of entertainments and socials are given to break the monotony of school life. Visits are paid the classes from the headquarters of Americanization work in Boston during the year and they have been very well pleased with the interest shown in class work both by the teachers and the pupils.

At the end of the school year graduating exercises are held to which families of those attending the classes are invited, which means that we have quite a number of the younger generation present and they join in making the final social of the school year a success.

H. F. RYAN.

The Hamilton Club conducted a Whist Party and Dance on the 4th of November which proved to be one of the nicest gatherings the Club has had for some time. Everybody got into the spirit of the thing and made it a real sociable time. It looks as if the Hamilton Club socials this year are going to be popular. The Club dance committee was in charge of the affair.

Paul Scharchmidt is back at work again after having spent his vacation in the woods of Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine. He reports that he enjoyed his trip very much but did not run across much game.

Walter Roxroth of the Dye House has moved with his family into a house on Oliver St.

KID THE GROUCHES  
ALONG—YOU'LL  
WIN THEIR  
FRIENDSHIP  
SOONER OR  
LATER.





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## Spinning and Twisting Department News

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Manthorne of the Spinning Department spent the week-end with their relatives in Boston.

New comers in No. 2 Spinning room are: Mrs. Laura Dionne, Miss Lea Hebert, Miss Jeannette Chamberlain, Mrs. Leona Cardinal, John Carey, Leon Beausoliel and Arthur Grandmaison.

Germain Tavernier has recently threatened us all with the following words: "By-gee, I guess I'll get married."

The new comer in No. 3 Spinning room is Miss Tettima Gentili.

Lyman Frennier of No. 3 Spinning room attended the funeral of his aunt. We all express our deep sympathy for his loss.

Miss Lucia Guevremont was out a few weeks this past month on account of sickness.

Miss Leda St. Germain and Mrs. Rosetta Curboy have accepted positions in Department 4.

Miss Blanche Berthiaume spent the week-end visiting her sister in Fall River.

Sadie Manthorne is back to work after spending a few days with friends in Boston.

"ROMEO & JULIETTE" What could be sweeter and when Juliette is so willing. Watch out Juliette for the Dodge Touring Car.

Gladys Jacobs is back to work again after a short illness, also Yvonne Leduc.

Ernest Caplette and Leo Savage are now on the Doffing list in Spinning room No. 4.

Yvonne Maloney and Aldea Antaya have been transferred from the twisting to Spinning room No. 4.

Theodore Savary is holding down the job as fixer in Spinning room No. 4; keep it up Teddy.

Oscar Pion of Department No. 12 entertained a few of his friends at a Halloween Party at his home on Main Street. A very enjoyable evening was spent. Games were played and refreshments served.

Joseph R. Cloutier and Leo Gaumond of Department No. 12 were out hunting these last weeks and reported good luck.

Tourist—"Officer, what is the best way to see this city?"

Traffic Cop—"Try to park your car somewhere in it."—L. C. N.

# JOX

## A STRANGE COINCIDENCE

A passenger on a New York and Chicago limited train, looking under his berth in the morning, found one black shoe and one tan. He called the porter's attention to the error.

The porter scratched his head in bewilderment.

"Well, ef dat don't beat all," he said, "Dat's de second time dis mawnin' dat mistake's happened!"

A man who went to register just before election was asked his trade. "Mason and builder," he replied.

The next man in line was an old Irishman. When the question was put to him he answered: "Knights of Columbus an' bricklayer."

A young lady from Wilmington, Delaware, Of the high cost of clothing was well aware.

Said she, "I suppose I could save on my clothes If I don't give a d—n what the helaware."

## EXCHANGING

Stude—"Say, gimme a ticket to Tulsa."  
Agent—"Here ya are, change at Oklahoma City."

Stude—"No ya don't, I'll take the change now."

## A DISTINCTION

"Pearson," exclaimed Ephraim, "I've got 'ligion, I tell you!"

"That's fine, brother! You are going to lay aside all sin?"

"Yes, suh."

"You're going to church?"

"Yes, suh-ree."

"You're going to care for the widows?"

"Yes, suh!"

"Are you going to pay your debts?"

"Suh? Dat ain't 'ligion. Dat's business."

## News from the Lower Mill

George Gaetjens is getting to be quite a fisherman, as George recently pulled out of the raceway at the Top Mill, three eels that weighed about fifteen pounds which is some weight even for eels.

Joseph McNally took in the Stafford Fair on Thursday, Oct. 14th and saw some good racing.

Ralph Hammond would like to know who put that dead fish in his pocket and gave him such a scare.

Henry Gaumond is again at work in the Top Mill after a year's absence.

Jenas Henley has resigned from his position at the Top Mill owing to ill health and has accepted a position as gateman at the American Optical Company.

Camille Caron has joined the Top Mill force and is working in the Scouring Room.

John Kenfield of Sturbridge has been transferred from the Scouring Department, to the Shipping Department.

Gilbert Dion is back at work in the Combing Room after a few weeks absence.

## On Guard



Jack Swift who is the overseer in the combing department at the Lower Mill was in the Canadian Army Service Corps during the War and this picture was taken in Lowell in 1917. Mr. Swift was then 41 years old and a snappy looking soldier. All Mr. Swift's friends would know from his brand of Loyalty that he was in the War in some way doing his bit.

We wish to compliment the Electrical Department on their neatness in doing work for this department. Recently when they put in the Klaxon Horn on the telephone system, they picked up every bit of cotton insulation and other small pieces that were left, and put them in the waste can where they could do no damage to our stock. It is a pleasure on our part to give credit to workmen when it is due them.

George Lavallee has been appointed captain of the Top Mill bowling team in the Hamilton League and Claudio Pleau has been appointed in the Town Industrial League for the Hamilton Team.

ADV. Alfred Lamontagne lost his wedding ring a few days ago and wishes to ask through the HAMILTONIAN, if found, that it be returned to him in the Slacker Room.

George Gaetjens and a party of friends visited New York relatives during the World Baseball Series and also took in the first two games of the series. The trip was made in George's Hudson Coach. The party all had a good time.

James Brennan and "Pete" Gaudette of the Top Mill also took in the first two games of the World Series and outside of a certain stiffness in their necks they also had a good time. This stiffness of the necks was acquired not from looking at the tall buildings but by taking in too many Musical Shows.

Wilfred Yates has been appointed captain of the Trinity Five in the Church Bowling League and is busy trying out his men for that team. Wilfred is making the maples fly in practice and he says "His five will make them all step."

The Top Mill will be represented by a fast five in the department bowling this season and also will have some men on the Town Industrial League, of which the Hamilton Club will be a member.

"Bill" Kermack is again a member of the Methodist Five in the Church League and they opened their first match with a 3 to 1 win over the Federated Five from Sturbridge.

## November Recalls the Armistice and—

### IN FLANDERS FIELDS

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe;  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.

Lieut.-Col. John McCrae.

"Why, hello Jimmy! I hear you lost your job in the department store."

"Oh yes. I got fired."

"You got fired? How did that happen?"

"Oh I just took a sign from a lady's shirt waist and put it on a bathtub."

"Well, tell me how the sign read."

"It said 'How would you like to see your best girl in this for \$2.75?'"

### WHO INVENTED TABLE MANNERS?

Waiters in hotels and restaurants must have an interesting time studying the table manners of their patrons. However, it must be admitted that some of our writers on table manners lay down very silly rules.

A little chap at a holiday treat, for instance, said as he held a turkey leg in one hand and a wedge of mince pie in the other:

"The trouble about table manners is that they was invented by people wot was never very hungry."

Miss Loncory: "Bob fell and cut himself badly on a broken bottle."

Miss Traphagen: "Where'd he get cut?"

"On the hip, of course, silly."



## Notice to Credit Union Members

The new Credit Union Law became effective on July 23, 1926. Particular attention is called to Sections 23 and 24. These sections state definitely what a Credit Union can do in regard to loans. ALL PERSONAL LOANS MUST BE PAID WITHIN ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE OF THE NOTE.

### APPLICATION FOR LOANS

Section 23. All applications for loans shall be made in writing and shall state the purpose for which the loan is desired and the security, if any, offered.

### LOANS

Section 24. A credit union may make loans of the following classes to its members:

- Personal loans secured by the note of the borrower;
- Personal loans shall always be given the preference and, in the event there are not sufficient funds available to satisfy all loan applications approved by the credit committee, preference shall be given to the smaller loan.

### PERSONAL LOANS

EACH PERSONAL LOAN SHALL BE PAYABLE WITHIN ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE THEREOF AND SHALL BE PAID OR RENEWED ON OR BEFORE SUCH DATE.

Each endorser of a note given as security for a personal loan shall be a resident of the commonwealth at the time the loan is made, unless such endorser is a member of the credit union.

Each personal loan shall be limited as follows:

- To an amount not exceeding one hundred dollars, if secured by the unendorsed and unsecured note of the borrower.
- To an amount not exceeding three hundred dollars, if secured by the note of the borrower with one or more responsible endorsers thereon, or with satisfactory collateral pledged to secure the same, or if secured by the joint and several notes of two or more members.
- To an amount not exceeding one thousand dollars, if secured by the note of the borrower with two or more responsible endorsers thereon, or with satisfactory collateral pledged to secure the same, or if secured by the joint and several notes of three or more members.
- To an amount not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars if secured, by the note of the borrower with two or more responsible endorsers thereon or by a joint and several note of three or more members, and, in either case, with collateral valued at not more than eighty per cent of its market value, pledged fully to secure the same.
- To an amount not exceeding three thousand dollars, if secured by the note of the borrower and with sufficient collateral pledged to secure the same made up of bonds or notes of the United States, or of any state or subdivision thereof which are legal investments for savings banks in this commonwealth valued at not more than eighty per cent of their market value, or by the assignment of the pass book of a depositor in a savings bank doing business in any of the New England states or in the savings department of a trust company or national

bank doing business in this commonwealth, or the pass book of a depositor in a cooperative bank incorporated under chapter one hundred and seventy.

## In the Weave Room

Eugene Lusignan has been appointed for jury duty for the first week of November at a Worcester Court.

Arthur Girard was out several days with a sore finger.

Romeo Roberts, saxophone player was a member of the Blanchard Brother's Orchestra which broadcasted the latest song hits from the Webster Broadcasting Station.

Miss O. Allard is back amongst us again after being confined at home several days with a bad cold.

Arthur Bachand has been elected Captain of the Weave Room bowling team.

Joseph Lupa, John Stota, J. Saletnik and S. Hmiel have formed an orchestra which plays at weddings, dances, and social affairs.

Adolph Cournoyer has purchased Lari-viere's Pool Room on River Street.

Wilfred Gauthier has concluded his duties in Department 6.

Hervie Tarvenier has purchased a new Chandler automobile.

## In Training

The following amateur pugilists are training daily at Edward Harvey's house on Sayles Street: "One Punch" Valmore Gauthier; "Knockout" Lofgren; Wilfred Gauthier and several others. Edward Harvey is also one of the sparring corps.

## Birthday Party

A party was held on the fourth birthday of Normand Patenaude. Among those present were: Mrs. D. Patenaude, Mrs. Elzear Lamoureux, Mrs. Ferdina Langlois, Mr. and Mrs. Adelard Leduc, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Dupaul and the Misses Rita and Ida Dupaul, Lorraine and Master Roland Berthiaume and Masters Arthur and George Langlois. Refreshments were served followed by a radio concert. Normand received many gifts and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Patenaude, Department 6.

Michael Perron, Wilfred Julian and Albert Proulx were out on several successful hunting trips this past week.

Edgar Levesque has accepted a position in our Perching Department. We are glad to have you back with us Edgar.

## Central Mills

David Mitchell and son Alvin recently visited Mr. Mitchell's father and mother at Apponaug, R. I.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pelletier are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter. Mr. Pelletier is the night watchman here.

### FIRST ROUND

An elderly man said to a young man in a kindly voice:

"You wish to marry my daughter. Can you cook, sew, wash and iron, sweep, darn, nurse children, shop—"

The young man gave a puzzled laugh. "Why ask me if I can do those things?" he said.

"Because," said the elderly man, "my daughter can't."

## Finishing Department

Mrs. Mary Jacques died on October 21st, we extend our sympathies to her relatives.

Julia Smith was laid up for a week with an injured knee, which she received in a fall, while on her way home from the Mill.

Wilfred Pelletier is back with us again after an absence of 3 years. He has just bought a new motor cycle, with which he hopes to hang up some new speed records.

We hear a lot about this "getting up with the roosters," but Charlie Curboy says that is all bunk. The roosters let Charlie down one morning last week, with the result that Charlie lost a day's work. We are wondering what time he, eventually, did get up. Anyhow he is not going to depend on them anymore, as he has bought a nice new "Big Ben."

Louise Gaumund and Grace Trahan were in Worcester last week to see the latter's sister Dorilla Pelletier, whom they report is getting along very nicely.

Eileen Connors had as guests, her cousin Miss Anna Dwyer of Cambridge, and a party of friends, on October 24th.

## Take in a Show

Mary Lachapelle and Corrine Pelletier attended the "Music Box Review" which was playing in Worcester on October 26th. They enjoyed it very much.

Evelyn Dufault also went to see the same show, but not with Mary and Corrine, we are not going to tell who took her, either.

Hector Renaud attended the wedding of his cousin on October 12th.

Catherine Reilly is out taking care of her mother who is ill.

Aldea Ravenelle has been confined to her home since September 25th, with a severe attack of influenza.

Louis Gagnon, and Jim Grant have left the Company's employment.

Mary Collins, Lizzie Herber, Myra Knowles and Maggie Comerford, were victims of colds during the past month.

Jack Walsh has got a new fountainpen.

Dan Russell has been forced recently under exacting circumstances to put in practice the almost forgotten art of kitchen policing. Something like swimming, says Dan,—it comes right back to you.

Michael Welsh and son Harry have the sympathy of their many friends in the loss of wife and mother who died during the past month.

## Maintenance Departments

Raoul Thibeault attended the Stafford Fair at Stafford Springs Conn. on Columbus Day. He reported a wonderful Fair and something doing every minute.

Wm. Bliss of Enfield, Mass. has entered the employ of the Hamilton Woolen Company going to the Power House to work.

Clarence Morse spent his two weeks vacation this year at his farm near Mashapaug, hunting and training his pack of Beagle dogs.

He (absent-mindedly)—"Your'e a dear, sweet girl, Anna."

She—"Why, Harry; my name is Sue."

He (recovering)—"I say you're a dear, sweet girl, An'na love you with all my heart."

## Central Mills News



Now that Joe Leduc has been elected "Captain" of the Central Mills Bowling Team we think it no more than fair that this picture should be printed. Joe was "Captain" of the bowling team three years ago, and we are proud to say that his team won the large cup which now stands in the office. Joe has selected the following men to bowl. Leo

Gamache, Henry Poutre, Wilday Bartlette, Albert LaFleche and Ernest Theriault.

We were all very sorry to learn that on account of lack of work Mr. Martel and Mr. Mongeau have left us. Mr. Martel has been employed here for the past six years and Mr. Mongeau for three years. Both Mr. Martel and Mr. Mongeau will be missed by every one, as they always had a smile and kind word for everyone they met.

Mrs. Georgian Leno who was taken sick while at work is reported as much improved. We all wish her a speedy recovery and hope by the time this HAMILTONIAN is published she will be able to be back with us again.

## Lucky Dog



A few weeks ago we had a picture of Alma Leduc taken when she was a little girl, but, now we have a picture taken only a few days ago. Alma says this picture was taken while she was spending a few days with Antoinette Bellerose and of course this must be true as Antoinette is the other girl in the picture. Antoinette is a Spinner and works in Department 3.

Honore Reneaud spent a few days visiting the principal cities of Canada.

Bernice Vennert and Ernest Theriault, are again working in the Twisting Room. Miss Vennert being the first girl ever employed in this department.

Tessie Wieski and Albina Ethier are new employees in the Doubling Department.

We are all glad to have Mrs. Bounette back with us again after being out for several months on account of the illness of her brother.

Bill Hutchinson was a recent visitor at Indian Orchard.



## Wedding Bells



Miss Irene Salva will be married to Mr. Leo Beaulac on Thanksgiving Day and thus will be lost to the Hamilton folks one of our most popular and otherwise charming girls. Mr. Beaulac whom a great many of us remember as being in charge of the Globe Pharmacy a few years back, is going to take his bride to Worcester to live where he is manager of the Vernon Square Drug Store. Irene (we wouldn't think of calling her Miss Salva) has worked in Mr. Cornock's office in the Spinning Department ever since she left school and she has always been a part of Hamilton social life where her charming disposition has made her a leader and immensely popular. Everybody in the whole Hamilton family wish for Irene the longest and happiest kind of a married life and those who know both Irene and Mr. Beaulac are quite sure that the prospects for happiness were never better at any wedding.

## Hamilton Lodge Closes

On October 31st the Hamilton Lodge was closed and will not reopen until further notice. The management have maintained the Lodge for the convenience of the employees for a long time while its operation has been with a deficit. This service was of course greatly appreciated by those who took advantage of it but operation loss has been for some time so great that due to the depression in business conditions the company does not feel that it can continue it any longer. Perhaps at a later date when conditions have changed the Lodge may be reopened. The patrons of the Lodge not only regret the discontinuance of this convenience but will also miss from their social life the association of Mr. and Mrs. Dion who have been the popular managers of the Lodge for a long time.

## Business Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Hamilton Club was held Monday, November 8th. The attendance at the business meeting was small but after the meeting quite a large crowd collected and a social evening was enjoyed.

Miss Esther Barnes who worked in the Engineering department this summer is now acting as secretary to Mr. Van Ornum of the Manufacturers and Merchants Association.

He—"Something seems to be wrong with this engine, it—"

She—"Don't talk foolish, wait until we get off this main road."

## Girls League Bowling

The bowling season is well under way now in the Men's division and the girl's teams are already organized. By the time this issue of the paper is published they will probably have bowled a few matches. There will be four teams in the Girl's Division. They are as follows: Finishing room, Corinda Pellitier, Capt., Weave room, Janiviere Gauthier, Capt., Twisting room, J. Lepain, Capt., Office, Cecelia Fallon, Capt. In the first encounter in the Men's League the Weave Room defeated the Top Mill, the Office took four points from the Spinning Department and the Dye House and the Central Mills split, two and two. Following is the schedule for the next few weeks:

November 19, Friday  
Spinning vs. C. Mills  
Dye House vs. Weave Room  
Top Mill vs. Office  
November 26, Friday  
Office vs. C. Mills  
Weave Room vs. Spinning  
Top Mill vs. Dye House

### ROUND 2

December 3, Friday  
Top Mill vs. Weave Room  
C. Mills vs. Dye House  
Office vs. Spinning  
December 10, Friday  
Weave Room vs. Office  
Dye House vs. Spinning  
Top Mill vs. C. Mills  
December 17, Friday  
Weave Room vs. C. Mills  
Top Mill vs. Spinning  
Dye House vs. Office  
No Matches Christmas Week

## Over the Handlebars

Frank Darling took a spill while riding his bicycle to work one day last month. His knee was badly cut and Frank was forced to walk stiff legged for quite a while even after he had stayed at home a few days. Somebody wanted the HAMILTONIAN to print an ad for Frank saying that he would give trick bicycle riding lessons and that he had a second hand bicycle for sale. But we refuse to joke about this bicycle business because we think that riding a bike to work is a darn good idea and we would like to see more take it up. In fact "ye editor" would like to see bicycle riding become fashionable in Southbridge. Wouldn't it be nice? Just a few minutes ride to work in the morning and never any gas to buy?

## Ever Hear of Him?

There was a fellow named Farrow Who had hunting right into his marrow, He hunted for hare, he hunted for bear And came home with a poor little sparrow.

### THE APT COMPARISON

A butcher in a certain town had read considerable about the "milk from contented cows," and wanting to keep up with the times he placed the signs in his windows—"Sausages from Pigs that Died Happy."

"I told your sister that I love her, and we are going to be married next summer."

"July?"

"No, I didn't. I really love her."

## Office News

We are glad to have Ernest Fierro back with us after two weeks illness.

Catherine Ryan of the Planning Department and Agatha Kelly of the Cost Department while vacationing in Washington this past month visited many places of interest among them, Arlington Cemetery, Congressional Library and several of the public buildings; they also visited in Philadelphia and New York City.

Agnes Prendergast of the Planning Department attended a very pretty wedding in Springfield recently.

Frank Williams has been hunting. Wonder how all his rabbits are and if the deers are wearing neckties?

Jack Hampson was the fortunate one of Badger's slaves to get a day off to attend the Stafford Fair. He came back much refreshed after his sojourn, ready once more to assume his toilsome duties.

## In the Wool Room

James Beaumont has bought a new radio set. Now that the evenings are dark and cold he will find much pleasure in staying at home to listen in.

David Estes was a recent visitor at the Wool Room. He left us some time ago to run a steam shovel on road construction work and is at present operating on the road from West Brookfield to Ware. A rainy day gave him the opportunity, while near at hand, to meet his shopmates once more.

Michael Ahearn has moved back to Ballard Court where again he is a close neighbor of Austin Chadwick.

William Escott and Geodry Oddy who lived at the Hamilton Lodge have both found satisfactory boarding places.

## Burling Room Items

Mrs. Nellie Murphy visited in Bristol with relatives, recently.

Mrs. Nellie Blanchette attended a Halloween party at the home of her sister, Mrs. John Hoenig, formerly of the Burling Room.

Mrs. Nettie Patterson has returned to work, after a two weeks vacation.

Miss Rose Gillispie enjoyed a motor trip through Deerfield on October 17th.

Mrs. Emma Leonard is out on account of her mother's illness.

## Gee! Haw!

John Brogan of the Receiving Department has purchased the well known trotter "The Sherwood" from Doc Murphy of the Columbia Stables. At present "The Sherwood" is at winter quarters in Pennsylvania. Mr. Brogan's plans for next summer's racing are not completed but big doings are expected.

We have a Paul Revere in the Receiving Department at least we all thought so when Brogan came riding in town on a new "Spark Plug", which hails from Philadelphia. It was a prize horse at the Sesquicentennial and its new master won it by guessing the number of hairs in its tail, or taking part in a Charleston contest. We haven't just made out which. NOTE: We understand Olga is taking riding lessons already.

## Here and There

You've heard of jokes—both old and new So here's one I must tell to you—

It happened on an Autumn Morn A certain young lady came to work with some "New Style" stockings on.

One was grey and the other brown—Came all the way from Sturbridge town, She must have been trying to set a new pace,

But as no one seems to follow her in the race,

I guess she'll have to give it up, But she certainly deserves the "Loving Cup."

No. 1 Spinning Room located on the top floor of building No. 15 is now running full again. The Spinners are back on their own machines and Arthur Whiteoak is foreman.

Herbert Gregory has accepted the position of foreman in the Winding and Twisting Room, located on the first floor of building No. 11.

We are glad to know that A. Masi who during the past season was manager of the Italian Club Baseball Team had a very good season.

He and others went a hunting to see what they could find,

But all they ever saw was the road they left behind.

Communication between Southbridge and Quincy Mass. seems to be rushing. By all accounts there will soon be an exodus from this room.

On October 29th we had an exhibition of bowling down at the Hippodrome Alleys. Ask George why? And A. M. if he still has a pain.

Miss Laurenda Peloquin went visiting in Leominster recently.

Miss Irene Mathieu was out a few days on account of sickness.

Mae Cuddihy was among the many Southbridge people that went to Webster recently to dance to McEnnelly's orchestra.

Miss Lilia Guptil of the Stores office since the Lodge has been closed has taken a room at Gardner's on Main St.

Frank Chamberlain of the Warp Dye House has been out sick for quite a while but is now back on the job.

His friends in the Dye House sympathize with Hy Robidoux, Jr., in the death of a son who was five years old.

Hamilton Smith of the Planning department took in the Yale-Army Football game this month.

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## How would you like to see BLACK?

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## Credit Union Elects Officers

The Hamilton Credit Union held its annual meeting recently and a dividend on shares was declared of 6%. This is considered a very good return for money so safely invested. Officers for the coming year were elected and are as follows: Joseph Laughnane, Pres. W. Wulfing Grant, Vice Pres. J. H. Wilcock, Treas. Agnes Prendergast, Asst. Treas. Rudolph Lusignan, Clerk. Credit Committee: H. F. Ryan, W. W. Grant, Geo. S. Rich, John Swift, John Rowley. Auditing Committee: E. B. Armstrong, J. C. Dirlam, Miriam Davis. Directors (for 3 years): W. W. Grant, G. S. Rich, John Rowley, H. F. Ryan, John W. Swift, E. B. Armstrong, J. C. Dirlam; for two years, J. V. Laughnane, Rudolph Lusignan, Hamilton Smith, J. H. Wilcock, Percy Whiteoak, Richard Yates, Miriam Davis; (for one year), J. E. Birdsall, Wm. Buckingham, Fred Hanson, H. O. Jackson, Robert Kershaw, Agnes Prendergast, Wm. Proulx.

## Garden Report

The Hamilton Garden Committee has made its report for the season of 1926 which shows that the gardens which are donated for the use of the employees are well used and show a profitable return. There were 82 garden plots cultivated with a total acreage of about 5 acres. The value of the produce raised is estimated to be about \$1,890 which gives an average of about \$23 per garden. The committee in charge of the distribution of the lots and the free fertilizer which the company gives is as follows: Herbert F. Ryan, Chairman, Adam Prantkielewicz, Roul Thebeault and Raymond Goodell.

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## The Approach of Christmas

There's a little chap at our house that is being mighty good—  
Keeps the front lawn looking tidy in the way we've said he should;  
Doesn't leave his little wagon, when he's finished with his play,  
On the sidewalk as he used to; now he puts it right away.  
When we call him in to supper, we don't have to stand and shout;  
It is getting on to Christmas and it's plain he's found it out.

He eats the food we give him without murmur or complaint;  
He sits up at the table like a cherub or a saint;  
He doesn't pinch his sister just to hear how loud she'll squeal;  
Doesn't ask us to excuse him in the middle of the meal,  
And at eight o'clock he's willing to be tucked away in bed.  
It's getting close to Christmas; nothing further need be said.

I chuckle every evening as I see that little elf,  
With the crooked part proclaiming that he brushed his hair himself.  
And I chuckle as I notice that his hands and face are clean,  
For in him a perfect copy of another boy is seen—  
A little boy at Christmas, who was also being good;  
Never guessing that his father and his mother understood.

There's a little boy at our house that is being mighty good;  
Doing everything that's proper, doing everything he should.  
But besides him there's a grown up who has learned life's bitter truth,  
Who is gladly living over all the joys of vanished youth.  
And although he little knows it (for it's what I never knew),  
There's a mighty happy father sitting at the table, too.

EDGAR A. GUEST.

## New Safety Calendars

The Safety Committee will distribute the Safety Calendars for 1927 which the company has provided for the offices and prominent places around the mill. These 1927 calendars are even more beautiful than the 1926 calendars and are worthy of and deserve the best position that can be found for them to be hung in.

## Boot it, Lad

There are several reasons why one might like to spend a Saturday afternoon taking in a Soccer football game. One of them Teddy McLean says is that a fellow can have lots of fun listening to the Scotch brogue that Davy Simpson has. (Teddy is not the only one that thinks this.) Another reason that might be given is that there is a lot of competition between the Scotch and the English to see who is going to pay for the tickets and the programs. So far the English are ahead. Bill Kermack, Wallace

McLean, Davy Simpson and some of the other Bonnie Laddies have all bought the programs for the bunch but so far Billie Bates of the Dye House has been able to fumble the longest in his pocket and hasn't bought yet.

## Bride and Groom

Elizabeth Perron a member of our Drawing-in Department was married Thanksgiving morning to Hormidas Beaudry of this town. Their honeymoon trip is to be spent in Naugatuck, Conn. and Providence, R. I. The young couple received many gifts among which was a mahogany mantel clock given to them by their friends in Department 6. Eva Lariviere made the presentation speech. All of their friends from this Department wish them the best of luck in their new venture.

"Say, barber, is this hair tonic good?"  
"Good? Say I spilled some of it on a comb and now it's a brush."

## On an Outing

One night a short time ago when it was raining very hard Joseph McNally went out to town. Let us not be concerned with how he got there; it is the ways and difficulties experienced in returning which are of such special interest. The evening was well advanced when he decided to return home. It still rained hard. Mac in the shelter of a doorway awaited the electric car. This he boarded on arrival and contentedly sank into a seat. In but a short time he was oblivious to whatever was passing on about, and remaining thus in his seat, his intended stopping point faded further and further to the rear. Pleasant Street was reached. Here Jack Brogan got on. He saw Mac but his mind appeared so taken up with affairs of seemingly such personal importance that he refrained from addressing him, fearing he might possibly break the complicated line of thought, involved. Even a couple of lady friends who were on the car were so impressed with his apparent concentration of thought that they left him strictly alone. On reaching the Sturbridge car barn the car stopped. The discontinuance of motion and the jar of applied brakes brought Mac out from his intellectual trance. It is well to offer this term of explanation as Mac has declared that actual sleep as some of his friends had intimated it might have been was never farther from his mind. He looked out, concrete thoughts of the physical world now brought to the fore. Without it still rained hard and objects looked somewhat unfamiliar. It would be well to question the conductor. Information thus gained showed the car then well into Sturbridge and bound for the next turnout at the Fair Grounds. Here a pond had been growing alongside the tracks with the falling rain. As the car stopped, into this descended Mac with both feet which somewhat detracted from the evening's pleasure. On the return to town he found friends on the other car who were much more sociable and who kept him so taken up with their ready talk that thoughts of the fourth dimension faded far into the background.

"Whitey" LeBlanc of the Card Room was watching the girls bowling the other night in the Hippodrome Alleys and he was sniffing in a most annoying manner. Finally one of the girls turned around and said "Have you a handkerchief?" LeBlanc replied, "Yes, but I don't lend it to strangers."

Cecilia Fallon went through a most thrilling experience the other day on her way to work. A goat chased her. She dodged around a tree a little while and then ran for it. Celia said that the goat always seemed to be behind her.

Ed. Lofgren has been away from his work in No. 4 drawing room for the past week or two on account of being pretty badly cut about the face when the car in which he was riding figured in an accident.



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## NEWS GATHERERS

Every employee of the Hamilton Woolen Company

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## Finishing Room

We are glad to have Mary Ryan back with us again after a four months absence through illness.

Bessie Hogan entertained her niece from New Haven over the holiday.

Tom Fallon has moved from Oliver Street to one of the Company houses on Canal Street.

Nellie Brennan enjoyed the show at the new Palace Theatre in Worcester, on Thanksgiving Eve.

Stan Stepleskie refuses to ride with Wilfred Pelletier again. What's the matter "Step" not fast enough?

Arthur Leduc and family, spent Thanksgiving with his sister in Plainville, Conn.

Mary Coughlin entertained her son John from Springfield over the holiday.

Tim Moriarty is receiving congratulations on the birth of a baby girl, born on November 19th—Elizabeth Marie.

Jennie Lofgren attended the opening show at the new Palace Theatre, in Worcester.

Corrine Pelletier has been out taking care of her mother, who has been seriously ill.

Mary Shaw spent a recent week-end at the home of her husband's parents, in Baldwinville, Mass.

Walter Grimes and wife, visited friends in River Point, R. I., the week-end of November the 15th.

## Charming Sisters



Two Hamilton children, Annette Pelletier ten years old and Gloria Pelletier four years old are the daughters of Edmond Pelletier of the Weave room and are the nieces of Corrine and Clarinda Pelletier of the Finishing department. Pretty good looking kids, don't you think?

How did Josephine enjoy the ride, Wilfred?

Jennie Lofgren won first prize, a beautiful silver fruit dish, at a whist party, given by the O. A. H., on November the 26th.

The department was well represented at the High School football game in Webster on Thanksgiving morning. Walter Connor, Walter Grimes, Bobby Kershaw, Homer Bonin, "Pete" Leduc, Ted Marchessault, Wilfred Paulhus, Tim Moriarty, Jack Walsh, Dan Russell and Bessie Hogan making the trip.

Ed Splaine was in Woonsocket on business one day, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Connors and Jennie Lofgren attended the battle of music between the Mal Hallet and McEnelly orchestras, held in Mechanics Hall, Worcester on November 10th.

Bessie Hogan entertained her nephew Henry Hogan from Philadelphia, all during the month of November.

## Spinning Department

We have begun to think that Mathew Reilly's girl ought to be looking for a new fellow. He takes his girl to a show, wins a prize by holding the lucky seat and then makes his girl go up on the stage and collect. He knows who is boss of the family.

David Simpson and Arthur Whiteoak are the only Hamilton men playing on the Southbridge soccer team.

Angelo shot a rabbit at last. Now let the season close.

Uldege Lavallee, Section Hand of No. 3 Spinning Room attended the wedding of his brother Wilfred on the 24th of November.

After the wedding Mr. Lavallee who was best man, motored to Springfield with some of the party and attended one of Springfield's best shows that evening.

Charles Manthorne and Leo Loranger are seeking some good prescription for their cars which easily get the grippe on a cold morning.

Leo Loranger of Department 3 recently invited some friends around the mill to go to Sturbridge where he lives. A hunting party was arranged to hunt rabbits on Leo's wood-lot. After wandering all day the only rabbits that were seen were Leo's Belgian Hares in his barn. But after all Leo has some very good cider.

The Spinning Room's bowling team is confident of coming out on top of the world. They have already taken 4 points from the Weave Shop, 4 points from the Central Mills and 3 points from the Top

## Three Musketeers



Here we have a few of the "boys" around the mill. They were out for a holiday when this picture was taken and we'll bet that they didn't come home without having a good time. They are Ovila Dumas, Weave Room, George Larochele, Warping Room, and Arthur Lavallee, Spinning Department.

Mill. The bowling of Albert Masi in these matches is a feature. He also bowls with the Hamilton team of the Southbridge Industrial League with an average of almost 102.

Will. E. Live married May. B. Knott. "Con" Beef married Hedda Cabbage.

## Twisting Department

Miss Edna Taylor of Department 4-B was married to Wilfred Lavallee on November 24. Miss Taylor has worked in this department for the past five years. Everyone in the department wishes her the greatest happiness.

Gladys Laferriere is back at work after being out for the past few months.

## Fiskdale

Angelina Fournier a spinner at Fiskdale was married to Alfred Robichaud of Southbridge at St. Anne's church of Fiskdale since our last edition.

## Warping Department

Miss Margaret Cuddihy was out a few days this past month on account of sickness.

Miss Irene Mathieu attended the wedding of a cousin in Putnam recently.

Miss Roulde Martin visited in Lynn over the holidays.

## Drawing Room

Something seems to have hit some of our Hamilton families pretty hard; Bernard O'Donnell is the victim this time. He came to work recently wearing one black shoe and one brown one. We are willing to bet that he also had one eye open and the other shut.

Wilfred Julian ahunting many times this month did go, But never shot a thing as far as his friends know.

Teddy Savary of Number 4 spinning room is still a little bit ahead of Angelo Masi in the Hunting game. Teddy has bagged a few pheasants and squirrels but we haven't heard anything from Angelo.

Our readers we hope will pardon us if we delay a little longer in publishing a picture of Alice of Mr. Cornock's office. We haven't as yet been able to get a good likeness but we hope to induce her to pose soon.

## Bowling Results

The bowling season is now at its height and we are sorry not to be able to report more recent news of this news but due to the time which elapses while scores are being tabulated and while the HAMILTONIAN is in the process of being printed, only the results up to the end of November are possible.

### HAMILTON CLUB GIRLS BOWLING LEAGUE WEEK ENDING NOV. 27, 1926

Team	TEAM STANDING		Pinfall
	Won	Lost	
Finishing	12	4	4,300
Office	12	4	4,186
Weave Room	8	8	4,008
Twisting	0	12	3,835
Highest Team Total, 3 Strings	Dept. 9		1,199
Highest Team Total, 1 String	Dept. 9		412

### INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES

J. Lofgren	80.5
E. Poulin	79.8
D. Ferron	79.3
N. Blanchett	79.3
J. Gauthier	78.6
M. Dennison	78.6
N. Brennan	78.3
I. Lockhart	77.8
L. Pelloquin	76.0
E. Connors	73.7
M. Savary	71.8
J. Malo	70.8
M. Lachapelle	69.6
A. Barnes	68.7
E. Lariviere	66.7
I. Lavallee	66.4
C. Fallon	62.4
V. Perron	62.1
J. Simpson	61.7
R. Gagnon	59.4
V. Ciesler	59.0
E. Vary	51.3
Highest Individual 3 Strings,	D. Ferron, 259
Highest Individual 1 String,	D. Ferron, 108

### HAMILTON CLUB MEN'S BOWLING LEAGUE WEEK ENDING NOV. 27, 1926

Team	TEAM STANDING		Pinfall
	Won	Lost	
Dye House	15	5	6,435
Weave Room	13	7	6,369
Office	11	9	6,382
Spinning	9	11	6,280
Top Mill	6	14	6,278
Central Mills	6	14	5,931

Highest Total—Dye House 1,358.

### INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES

Albert Masi	93.1
A. Pelloquin	93.0
B. Morrissey	92.3
Geo. Lavallee	92.2
E. Lawton	91.1
R. Morrissey	90.7
Wm. Bates	89.8
R. Marchessault	89.5
Wm. Kermack	89.0
U. Lavallee	88.8
J. Rowley	88.0
J. Splaine	87.3
J. Brennan	87.3
A. Bachand	87.1
J. Leduc	87.0
N. Gaudette	87.0
G. Lavallee	85.9
A. Lamontagne	85.3
H. Fairbanks	85.1
O. Matte	85.1
F. Stratton	83.8
A. Whiteoak	83.0
A. Laflech	82.5
A. Cira	81.3
Angelo Masi	81.3
J. Winch	81.0
A. LaPlante	80.6
E. Hampson	80.6
E. Tetreault	79.6
U. Lavallee	79.4
A. Ravenelle	78.6
U. Lavallee	78.6
J. Doucette	78.3
A. Girard	77.5
H. Poutre	76.3
O. Blanchette	76.1
W. Maynard	76.0
A. Flagz	74.6
W. Bartlette	74.3
L. Gamache	72.3
E. Poirrier	70.6
J. Curboy	61.6

Per F. H. DARLING,  
Chairman

At the end of the 1st round in the Men's League the Dye House leads with the Weave Room right at their heels, and the Office team is a close third.

"I hope that's a nice book for you to read, darling," said a conscientious mother to her engrossed school-girl daughter.

"Oh, yes, mummy," said Miss Thirteen, "It's a lovely book, but I don't think you would like it. It's so sad at the end."

"How is it sad, darling?"

"She dies, and he has to go back to his wife!"



## Part of the Hamilton Family



These three children are the ones whom Nellie Butler of the Finishing department is proud to have call her Aunty. Good reason to be proud, we should say.

## Top Spinning Room News

If any one should care to know if the war is over, just ask Mollie and Matilda, they know.

Albert and the king pins are on pretty friendly terms according to Albert's latest scores, which even the Weave Shop would be proud of.

George is putting in some steady practice these days so we might hear something big from him before the season is over.

Angelina was out a day last month—we wonder why?

We can't tell about all the hunting expeditions, but one young fellow from this department went out to get anything he could find and walked all day, and came back much disappointed only to find perched on his fence just what he had been hunting all day. What he did he is keeping secret.

## Central Mills

Mrs. Aurora Boiteau spent the holidays as the guest of friends in Fall River.

George Duquette who worked as a doffer in the Spinning Room is now working for the Black and White Taxi Co.

Bill Hutchinson and family spent Thanksgiving at the home of Mrs. Hutchinson in Indian Orchard.

Bernice: "What time is it John?"

John: "I think it is 20 minutes to quarter of five."

Sweet Pickle would like to know when there is going to be another wedding as he would like to attend so he could kiss a bride.

Dynamic Joe says there is no one who can tie a knot that will last like the Priest's. How do you know Joe.

### POLITE GUY!

Michael—You remind me of the wild sea waves.

Maggie—Ohh—because I'm so restless and unconquered?

Michael—Naw. Because you're all wet and make me sick.

## Hamilton Lodge Open for Business

The Hamilton Lodge is now open and under the management of Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor.

Mrs. Taylor has had twenty years experience in Hotel work and comes with a very good recommendation from her former employers.

She would be pleased to see all of the former patrons of the Lodge and any new ones who may desire to room or board there.

## Burling Room News

Mrs. Bridget Walsh visited in Worcester recently.

Mrs. Nellie Blanchette is out, on account of the illness of her mother.

Miss Nellie May spent a week-end in Boston during the past month.

Leon (Babe) Chouinard was the winner of a barrel of vegetables at the Strand Theatre November 23th.

Mrs. Louise Robichaud attended the wedding of Edna Taylor to Wilfred Lavallee at Notre Dame Church Nov. 24.

Irwin Morse visited in the Burling room during this month. He was formerly elevator man in this department.

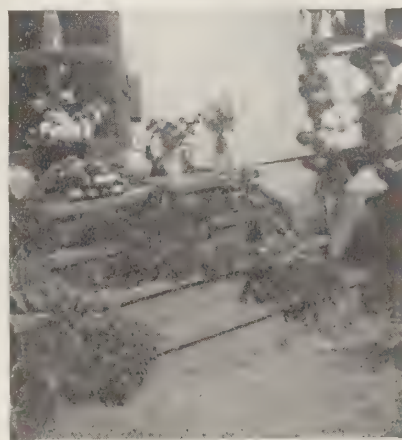
Rose Gillespie attended the play "Abie's Irish Rose" at the Worcester Theatre November 27th.

Emma Leonard entertained her brother and his wife from Pennsylvania over the holiday.

Husband—"If the goods you were just looking at suit you, why try other places? Why don't you buy them and let us go home?"

Wife—"How foolish, you talk! Why I'm not half tired out yet."

## Taken from the Soil



Monroe Walters who lives on Sayles St. and who works in the Wool Room is one of the best known gardeners in town and while he has given up his garden more or less he still raises a few specialties. The picture above shows him standing beside some of his choice vegetables and flowers. He is the only one in this section of the country that understands thoroughly the raising and curing of the beautiful straw flowers which are everlasting. "Mon" is an expert on the raising of Aster flowers and his advice is much sought by local gardeners in all matters pertaining to the family garden.

One thing worse than a quitter is a fellow who is afraid to begin.

## Machine Shop News

A. Raiche, tin collector of the Machine Shop has moved from Ballard Court to Main Street and has had quite an experience. Having hired our expert O. Pion of Department 12 with his Ford truck and helpers, A. Flagg, A. Gaumond, A. Matte, and Jos. Proulx, they nearly moved Del into the wrong tenement but this was straightened out after one, whose eyesight was good arrived. During the moving A. Gaumond and others strained their stomachs. It was not so bad after all, they all got home in the morning.

P. Chase, J. Curboy and officer S. Knowles have given up fishing and are paying more attention now to trapping flying fish.

Information Wanted: We wonder who the machinist was, that asked the question, "Why they built a bridge across a river"?

## Yard Department

Felix Cloutier of Department 12 who has been out some time with a severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism is reported improving.

Leon Downing, engineer at Fiskdale has resigned his position and gone to Worcester to work.

Wm. Taylor of the Pipe Shop and family visited relatives in New Jersey over the Thanksgiving holiday.

Jos. Cloutier of Department 12 and family motored to Wauregan, Conn. recently and passed the day with relatives.

## Lower Mill

Pete Gaudette who is the Card Room Sheik was out with a girl the other night and after they had left the electric lights behind, she said to him "I wonder if it is true that the length of a fellow's arm is equal to the circumference of a girl's waist?" Pete, said, "I don't know but we can get a piece of string and measure it."

Wilfred and Colin Yates, Robert Ker-shaw, Sr., Joseph McNally and Henry St. Martin made up a party that attended the Coates-New York Giants Soccer Game in Pawtucket on November 13 and saw one of the best games of the season. You can talk about your Hudsons and Chryslers, but ask "Bob" what he thinks of a Studebaker and you will see him pat the top of his head and look thoughtful. The trip was made in one hour and "Bob" knows every bump on the road now. The party made a shopping trip after the game and bought up all the pork pies and other eatables in the city.

"Whitey" LeBlanc who has lived for a long time in Westville, recently moved to the Flat and it has taken him some time to get used to the three deckers of that section. The other night he returned home early and instead of climbing to the top, he opened the door on the second landing and walked in. A young lady came forward to meet him and remarked that she was pleased he had called. "Whitey" didn't know what to say so promptly backed out and ran upstairs. He was telling the boys in the Card room about it and Donais remarked that you can take a boy out of the country—but you cannot take the country out of the boy. "Whitey" replied that he never put on three coats in the country to paint a henhouse.

## A Mighty Huntsman



We have just received this photograph of Fred Farrow taken on his recent hunting trip to New Hampshire, Maine and Vermont. Fred covered a great deal of territory on this trip and encountered a great deal of large game. The specimen shown in the picture is one of the beasts at which he got a shot but failed to bag due to the fact that the animal became alarmed at the click of the camera and stampeded before Fred could pull the trigger.

## From the Dye House

Careful workers protect their eyes.

The men in the Dye house wish to express their sympathy to John Merino whose baby girl died recently.

Paul Scharschmidt with his family spent Thanksgiving with relatives in Providence.

Frank Gallaway of the Dye house is seen wearing a big smile lately. If you ask the reason for the smile, Frank will reply, "I'm a Grandpa now."

Hilary Cuddihy among other trips drove the members of his family to Worcester on Armistice Day.

Post Commander Farquar was one of the prominent figures connected with the Armistice Day celebration here in town.

Steve Domian of the bleach room undertook to dispose of a cat that was pretty sick and much better "out of the way." Steve got as far as a pond with a burlap bag, the cat and very little courage. His errand of mercy did not appeal to him and he spent quite a little while thinking it over before he finally did the deed. "Never again," says Steve.

Paul Scharschmidt has had pretty good luck hunting right around Southbridge and he wonders if it isn't a waste of time and money to take a hunting trip into New Hampshire.

## Wool Sorting

Joe Orange has had good luck on punch boards where he has won numerous boxes of chocolates. Recently he won much more than would meet his own consumption and so brought a couple into work to there dispose of for profit. Jim Patterson bought one which he intended to take home in tact. However, Bill Benson thinking this not the proper thing to do gave Jim to understand by every intimation and indication possible that at least one would be very acceptable to his taste, as did also Joe Firth and likewise Ralph Hammond. When time came to wash up Jim decided his place was right beside that box. He imagined, according to Bill, that beneath the surface of all the smiling countenances about was an undercurrent at which an unguarded moment would sweep away the favored box to be lost forever.



## Mock Wedding Is Part of Surprise Party



Front row, left to right: Mrs. Walter Salva, Clarinda Pelletier, "Teddy" Barnes, Jeanne Malo, Mrs. Bertha Hart, Irene Salva, Ida Lockhart, Vita Perron, Mrs. Joseph Chagnon, Claire Peloquin, Juliette Lepain.  
Second row, left to right: Mrs. Agnes Brousseau, Albertine Mercure, Laura Noel, Mrs. M. Lachapelle, Mrs. Peter Salva, Catherine Brennan, Celia Fallon, Frances Smith, Nellie Brennan, Emerentienne Leblanc, Eva Chouiniere.  
Third row, left to right: Mrs. Edmond Richard, Alice Richard, Eva Mercure, Mrs. Felix Allard, Madeline Bird, Mamie Denny, Imelda Gaumond, Eva Poulin, Amy Underwood, Emelia Cloutier, Blanche Ethier, Mariam Davies, Mrs. E. C. Brennan, Agatha Kelly, Mary Shea, and Evelyn Allaire.

A little while before Thanksgiving the group of girls in the picture above met at the Recreation room and held a mock wedding and surprise party for Irene Salva, who is now Mrs. Leo Beaulac of Worcester, since she was married on Thanksgiving Day. The girls present held a Mock Wedding and also presented to Mrs. Beaulac a chest of silverware. The party was a complete surprise to the guest of honor and a most enjoyable time was had by everyone there.

### When it was Warmer



Some of our prominent Tennis stars snapped on the courts this last season. They are, in the front row: Victoria Chesla, John Roan and Ida Chapdelaine; in the back row are Cecilia Rabidoux, Clarinda Pelletier and Janiviere Gauthier. We presume that if Johnny knew that we were going to publish this picture that he would want us to say that he wasn't playing with the girls but was their instructor, or something like that.

Heard in the Finishing Room. The phone rings;  
"Hello!" calls Mr. Durgin,  
No answer.  
"Hello!"—again,  
No answer.  
"Is that all you want?"  
No answer.  
"Can't hear anything!"  
Answer: "I haven't said anything."  
With a giggle the sweet low pitched voice goes on.

### Wool Room

Alfred Emmott brought into the shop a couple of cakes of soap, at least for the time being his untroubled mind took them for soap and thought no further on the subject. At this same time his side partner Ben Whitehead felt the need of a new cake himself and Alfred very kindly, in reward for past favours, gave him one of those he had just brought in. At the proper time for cleaning up after work Ben repaired to the sink room to wash his hands. Holding the cake under a running faucet with his wet hands he turned it, rubbed it, passed it and passed it through all the customary motions employed when wishing to produce a well working lather; but all this to no avail for although possibly the cake itself was somewhat cleaner from this rugged handling certainly there was no evidence of emulsifying activity. Disgusted he finally borrowed a regular cake from a more fortunate and still more amused nearby washer to complete his well intended clean up. Alf's excuse for this behavior was that possibly the water was not quite warm enough and a more thorough try was planned with hot water. Needless to state the result of this was similar to that of the first. After the experiment the cake was given to Bill Benson for examination. Bill does not come from Charlton but knows a thing or two. He took it, looked at the sunlight shine through it, felt it all over, smelt it as a movie actor does a fresh cigar and then informed the astonished couple that it was not soap but Larkin Parawax which could be put to much greater utility elsewhere than as a grease or dirt expedient.

"Dark Horse, don't trifle wid me, 'cause I'm de berries!"

"All you is, Shadows, is de black-berries."

"Where are you going, little flea?"

"I'm going to the dogs."

"What you need is an electric bath," said the doctor.

"Not for me," said the patient. "My uncle got drowned in one of those things in Sing Sing."

### WATCH YOUR ENGLISH

The following, left on the desk of a social settlement worker, was taken down just as it sounded to this foreigner, who did not know how to write English correctly.

"Mrs. Goltmeus galtop ans sezzet suns jukom hom pliz galerop sez no mer howlyt agonbi sez galerop."

The meaning of this is: "Mrs. Goltmeus called up, and says that soon as you come (jukom) home please call her up. Says no matter how late it's going to be, says call her up."

### Weave Room News

"Fatso" Berthiaume is just recovering from a badly sunburnt Adam's apple and stiff neck which "Fat" got on his first sight seeing trip to Boston, recently. "Fatso" is also worried these days about whether Santa Claus will bring him a wrist watch.

Ida Chapdelaine is now working in the rewinding room at Department 6.

Edgar Levesque, percher has moved his family from Webster to this town.

Katherine Buckley was the lucky ticket holder in a raffle of nine leghorn hens and a rooster held recently.

Arthur Bachand and wife spent the week-end in Bristol, Conn. What was the matter with the Chev. Arthur?

Rose Minor is now working in the spinning department.

Dorila Lachapelle attended the funeral of Fr. Remy in Spencer.

Marie Cournoyer and Alma L'Heureaux attended a dance at Mechanics Hall, Worcester recently.

The following enjoyed a motor trip to Boston: Wm. Toye, Eugene Galipeau, Emile Berthiaume and Leo Martin.

Albertine Mercure was out a day recently with a slight cold.

Alcide Dupre has left for Canada to visit his relatives. His father is also in ill health.

Aline Hebert spent a week's vacation in Canada visiting relatives.

Albert Proulx made a week-end trip to Manchaug recently.

We begin to doubt if Jimmie Simpson is Scotch. He gave away a string of beads just lately. The young lady being new around here may have something to do with it.

